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The Final Evolution



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COMRADE



McPherson, SFC;
SERGEANT FIRST-CLASS AND
MEMBER OF THE SPECIAL
FORCES ASSIGNED TO GUARD
ACRO'S HEART.



D2
CODENAME: D2
A MEMBER OF MR.PHERSON'S
SPECIAL FORCES UNIT. A
CAREFREE, JOKEY PRETTY
BOY, HOWEVER...



Dr. Horner
A PROFESSOR RESEARCHING
ACRO'S HEART. A GENIUS WITH
A PECULIAR PERSONALITY.



Hang

POWER: BODY SWAPPING
SUNK THE HEART TO THE
BOTTOM OF THE OCEAN
UNDER KATSUMATA'S ORDERS.
CURRENTLY ACTING AS D3.



D4
CODENAME: D3
A GENIUS FEMALE SOLDIER.
SUFFERED HER FIRST WOUND
EVER WHILE FIGHTING NAMI.



Daniel Friedkin

ACRO'S HEART FRAGMENT
HOLDER
CONFINED BY AND COOPERATING
WITH THE MILITARY BY HIS
OWN FREE WILL. ALIAS, "THE
POET." FEARS MEN.



Shigeki Katsumata

ACRO'S HEART FRAGMENT
HOLDER
A MAN SEEKING TO BRING
ABOUT A WORLDWIDE
REVOLUTION UNDER ORDERS
OF THE GHOST.



"The Ghost"

AUTHORITY FIGURE TO THE COMRADES.
OCCUPIED THE SHELL OF AN INFANT
AND CONTINUES TO GROW RAPIDLY.



Michele

POWER: UNKNOWN
A JOLLY GIANT AND MEMBER
OF KATSUMATA'S GROUP WHO
INFORMED TAISUKE OF
MEGUMI'S SAFETY.



Megumi Ochiai
TAISUKE'S CHILDHOOD
FRIEND. HAS BEEN LIVING
WITH KATSUMATA EVER
SINCE SHE WAS KIDNAPPED
BY HIROSE.



Kyouko Amamiya
A REPORTER INVESTIGATING
THE TRUTH BEHIND THE
MASS SUICIDE. SHE'S
CURRENTLY CHASING AFTER
ACRO'S HEART.



Masashi Oda
FELLOW REPORTER AND
AMAMIYA'S JUNIOR. SEEMS
LIKE THE OFFICE FOOL, BUT
IS SURPRISINGLY THOROUGH
WITH HIS WORK?



Yukie Tezuka

ACRO'S HEART FRAGMENT
HOLDER
A WOMAN PLANNING TO SEAL
AWAY ACRO'S HEART. "MAMA" TO
SEVEN CHILDREN (BIOLOGICAL).



Ray Tezuka

THE ELDEST SON AND LEADER
OF THE MAMA GROUP. NERVOUS
BY NATURE.



Jun Tezuka

POWER: ELECTRICITY
THE SECOND ELDEST SON. AN
EXTREMELY SHY BOY, BUT
WIELDS IMPRESSIVE MARTIAL
ABILITY.



Anzu Tezuka

THE ELDEST DAUGHTER AND
SUPPOSED SUPER-HACKER IN
CHARGE OF INTEL AND DATA
MANIPULATION.



Aoi Tezuka

POWER: SPEED
SECOND ELDEST DAUGHTER, SHE
ADORES TAISUKE LIKE A REAL
BROTHER. HOSTILE TOWARD
YUTA.



Taisuke Kanou

POWER: REBIRTH AND DEATH
FORMERLY A NORMAL HIGH
SCHOOLER, HE'S BEEN
FOLLOWED BY A HAPLESS FATE
EVER SINCE THE MASS SUICIDE
INCIDENT.



Nami Kusunoki

POWER: ICE CLAWS
A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT LIVING
IN MORIOKA. COUPLED WITH HER
POWER, SHE'S ALSO A MASTER-
LEVEL MARTIAL ARTIST.



Yuta Takizawa

POWER: ISOLATION
A FIFTH GRADER WHO'S VERY
MATURE FOR HIS AGE. LIVES
WITH HIS GRANDPARENTS.

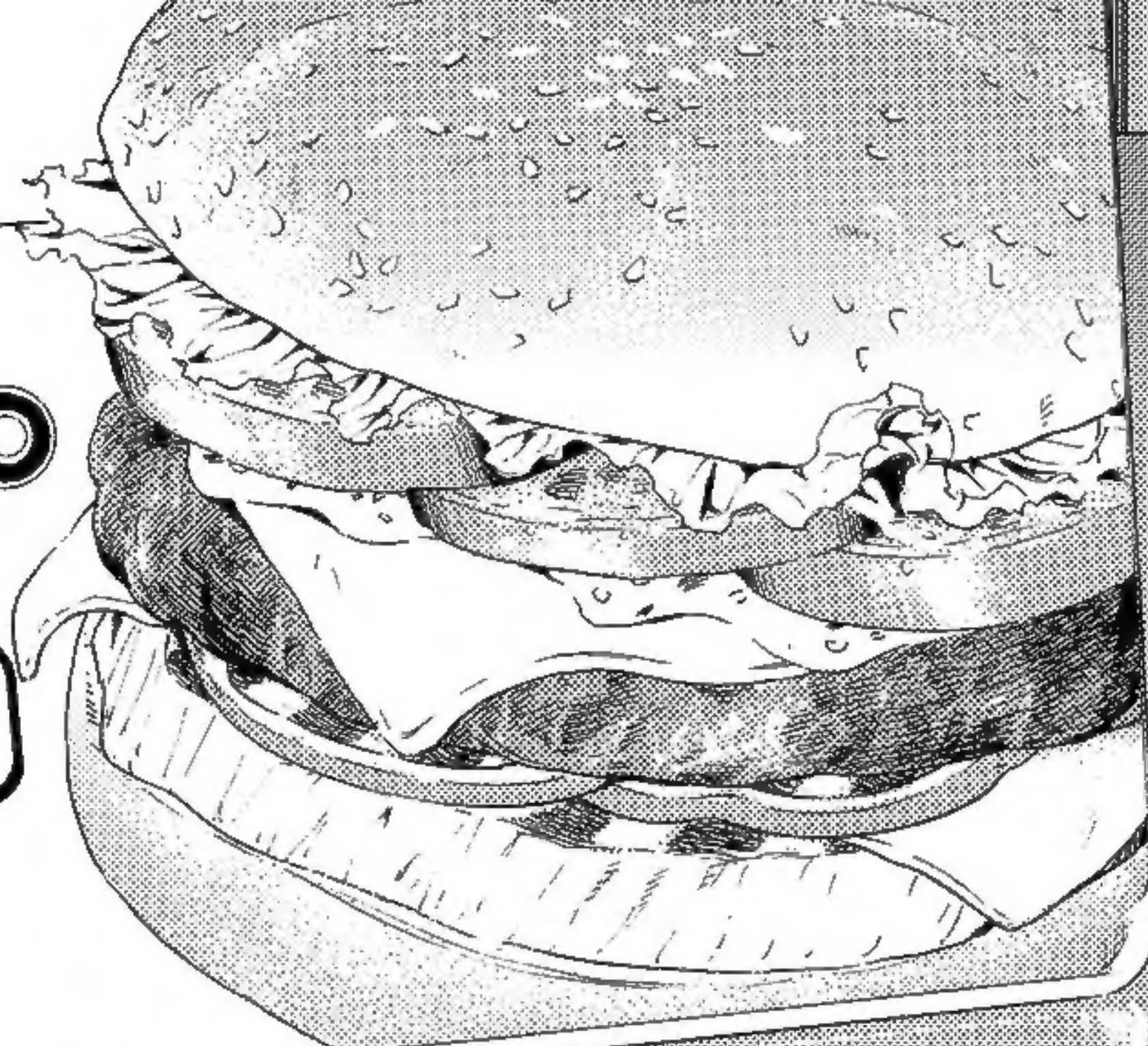


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**I'LL HAVE ONE
OF THESE.**

Special
Combo
\$5.99



**...AND A
COFFEE WITH
PLENTY OF
CINNAMON,
PLEASE.**

**ALSO, ONE
BURGER WITH
NO ONIONS OR
PICKLES...**

**MMM! NOW
THAT'S GOOD.
YOU KNOW
JUST HOW I
LIKE IT.**

**WELL, WE HAVE
BEEN IN THE
SAME SQUAD
FOR OVER A
DECADE.**

**GUESS
THAT
MAKES
SENSE,
HUH, D3?**



HMPH.

GOT THAT
RIGHT...

TOGETHER
FOR A DECADE,
YET HE DOESN'T
SUSPECT A
THING.



HE HAS NO
IDEA THIS MAN
DIED AGES
AGO.

Chapter 51

Center Stage

Every man desires to live long; but no man would be old.



**HOW MANY
BODIES DOES
THIS MAKE
NOW?**



**MY POWER
DOESN'T END
AT JUST TAKING
SOMEONE'S
BODY.**

**I ALSO OBTAIN
ALL OF THEIR
KNOWLEDGE.**

**THAT
ALLOWS ME TO
COMPLETELY
BECOME THAT
PERSON.**



**NO ONE HAS
ANY IDEA THAT A
COMRADE HAS
INFILTRATED THIS
FACILITY.**

Hey.

Good
morning!





**WE NOW KNOW
THAT THESE TWO
WILL BE KEY TO
FINDING THE
HEART.**



**I TRUST YOU ALL
RECOGNIZE THIS
MAN?**



OF COURSE!

**HE'S ONE OF THE
COMRADES WHO
INFILTRATED THE
YOKOSUKA BASE.**

**HE ENDED UP
GETTING AWAY
IN THE END,
THOUGH...**

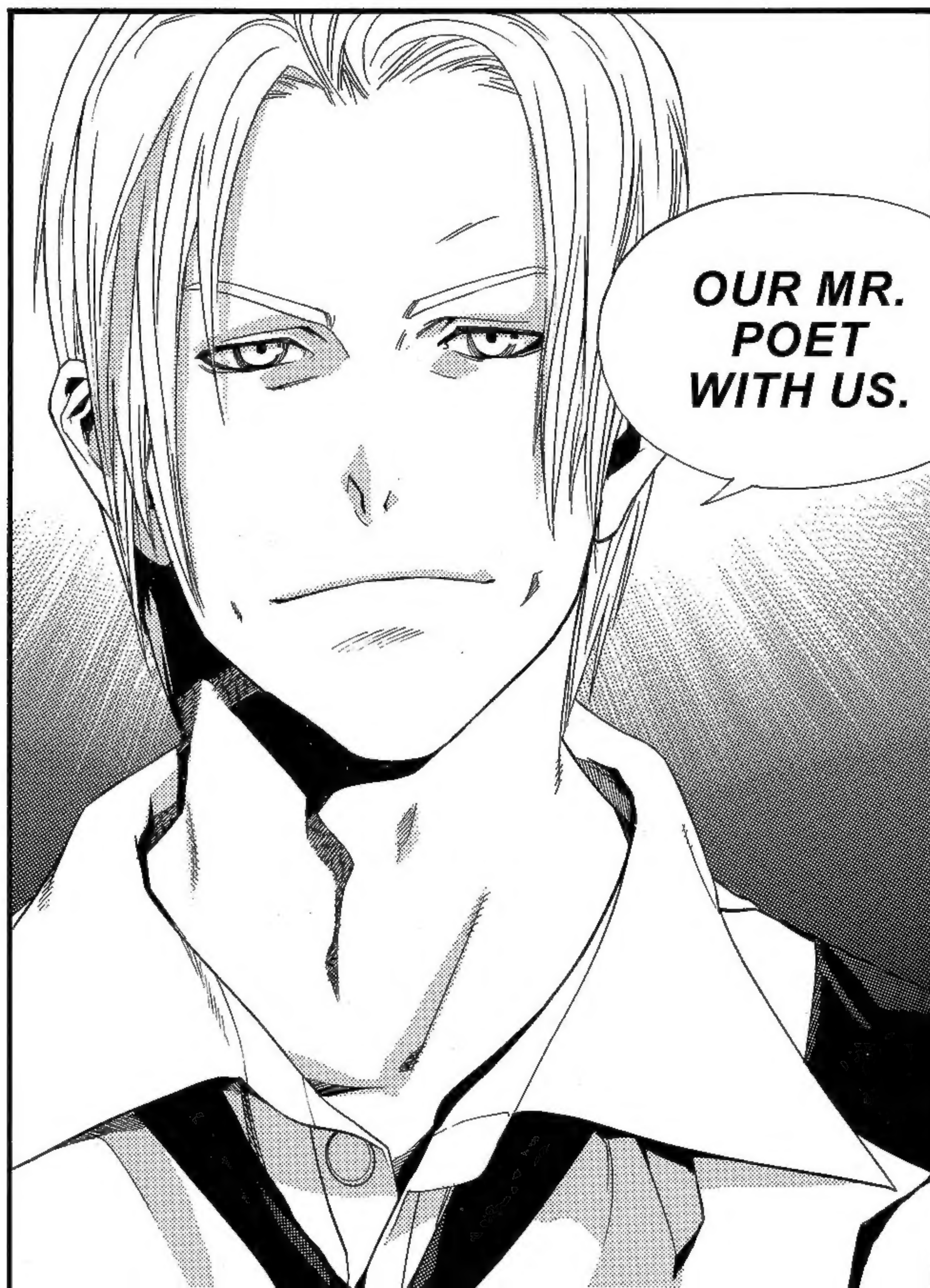


**EVEN IF WE MAN-
AGE TO CAPTURE
HIM ALIVE,**

**I DOUBT HE'LL BE
VERY WILLING TO
COOPERATE.**

CORRECT...

**AND THAT'S
WHY...**



**OUR MR.
POET
WITH US.**



**...I'M THINKING
OF BRINGING...**



**DR. HORNER
TOLD ME SOME-
THING VERY
INTRIGUING.**



**B-BUT WHY,
CAPTAIN?**



**IT SEEMS THE POET
HAS THE ABILITY TO
CONTROL PEOPLE.**



**APPARENTLY,
WHEN THE POET
FIRST CAME TO
THIS FACILITY,**

**HE STARTED
STRUGGLING
OUT OF FEAR
OF THE MALE
STAFF.**

**AND WHEN
THREE OF
THEM TRIED
TO RESTRAIN
HIM...**



THE DOCTOR
FROZE ON THE
SPOT AND WAS
LEFT COMPLETELY
UNABLE TO MOVE.



IT WAS TWO
OR THREE DAYS
BEFORE HE
RETURNED TO
NORMAL.





WITH HIS POWER,
WE CAN HAVE
THIS MAN DO
EXACTLY WHAT
WE WANT.

DON'T YOU
THINK SO?



ACCORDING TO
THE POET, THIS
IS THE ABILITY
TO CONTROL
PEOPLE.

AND THAT
HE CAN JUST
AS EASILY
CONTROL
COMRADES,
TOO.



THIS IS BAD...



HANG ON! AREN'T
WE AT JUST AS
MUCH RISK OF
BEING CON-
TROLLED, THEN?



SUPPOSEDLY THE
POET CONTROLS
PEOPLE BY TOUCH-
ING HIS PALM TO
THEIR HEAD.

I DON'T NEED
ANYONE FOOLISH
ENOUGH TO LET
THAT HAPPEN IN MY
TROOP.



BUT THE
POET'S BEING
CONFINED
HERE BY HIS
OWN FREE
WILL.

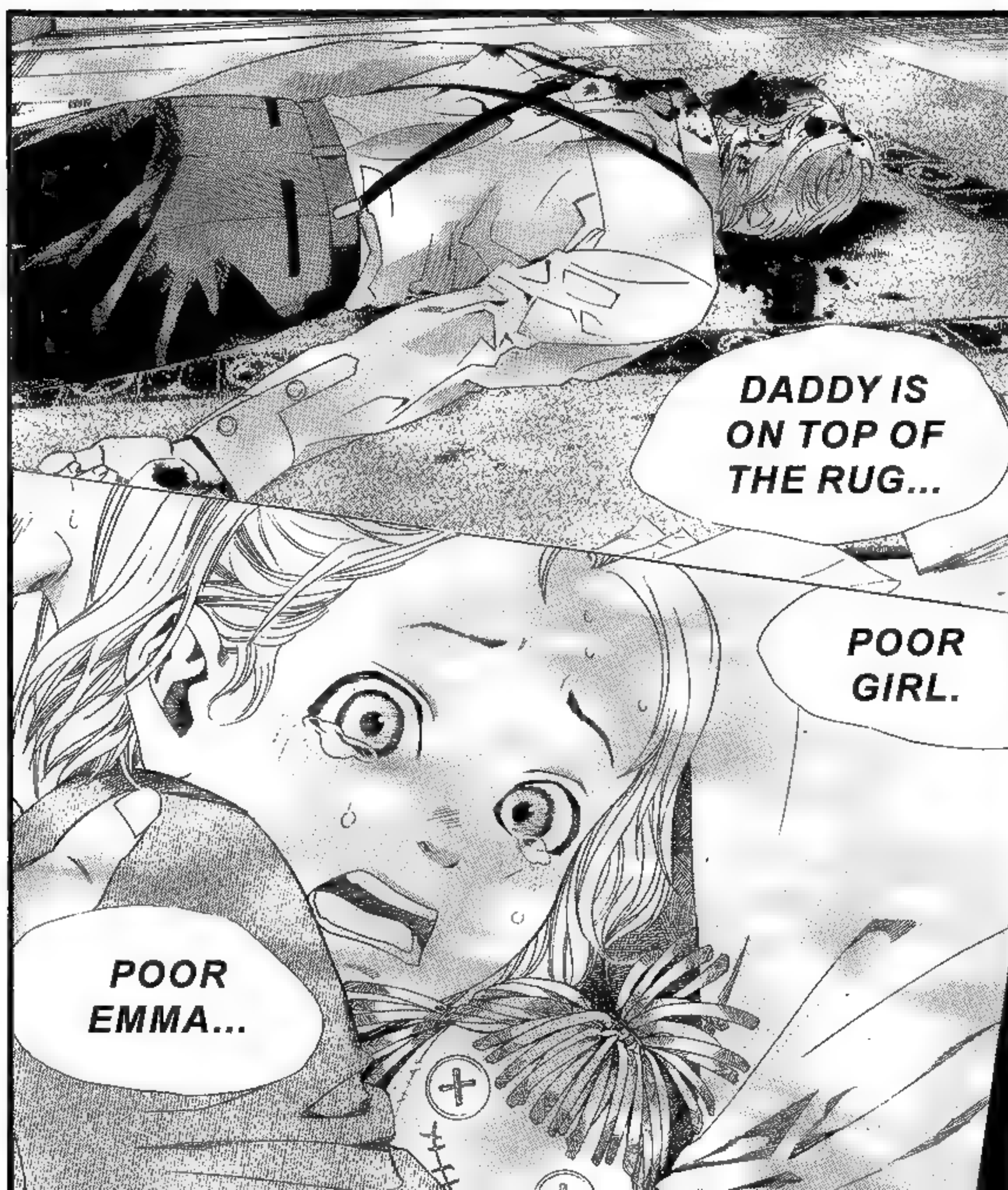
I'M GONNA
BE FOUND
OUT!

WE CAN'T JUST
TAKE HIM WITH
US, RIGHT?!



WILL YOU BE
OKAY, D4?

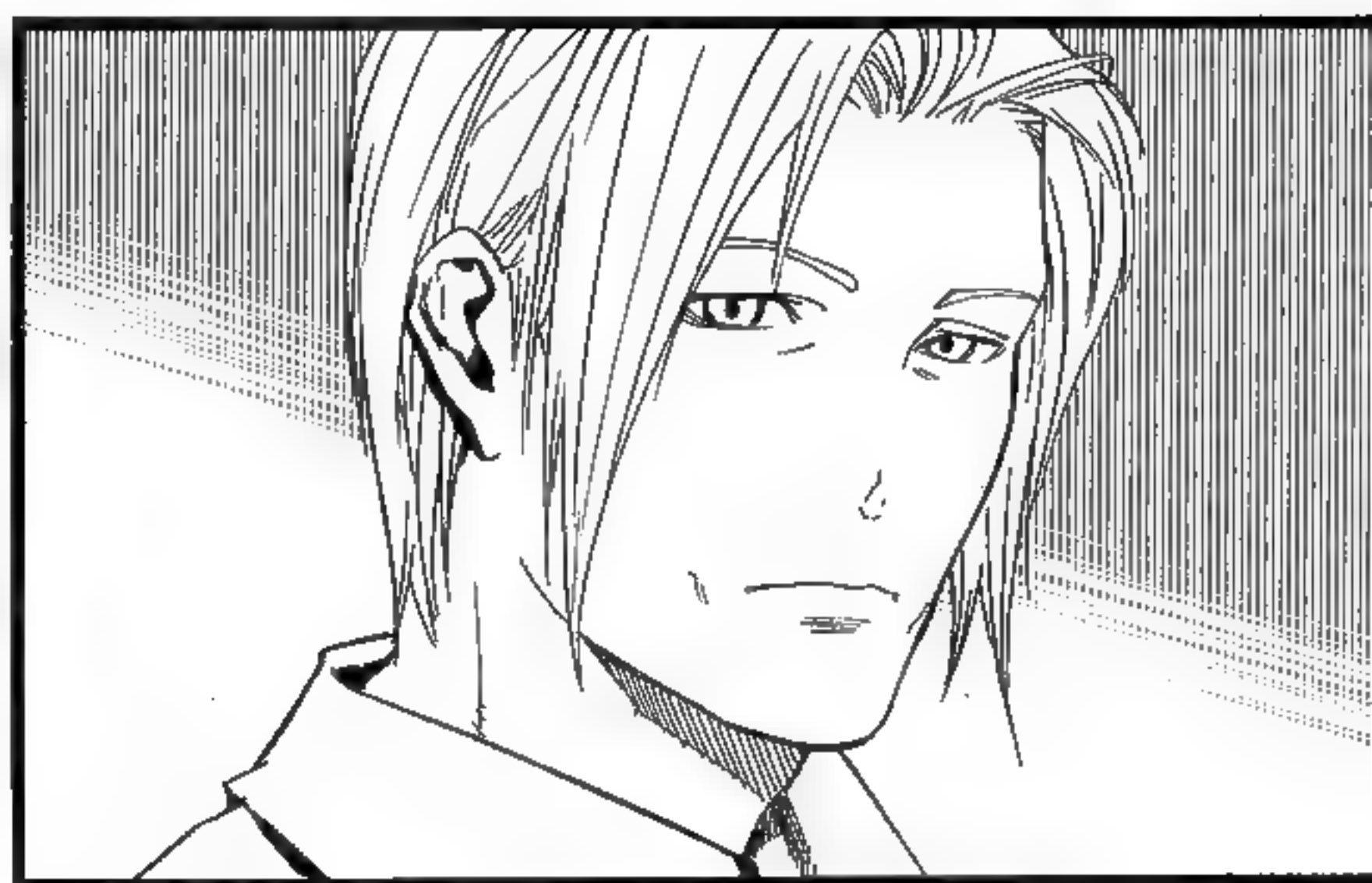
I'LL TAKE IT
UP WITH THE
BRASS.



DADDY IS
ON TOP OF
THE RUG...

POOR
GIRL.

POOR
EMMA...



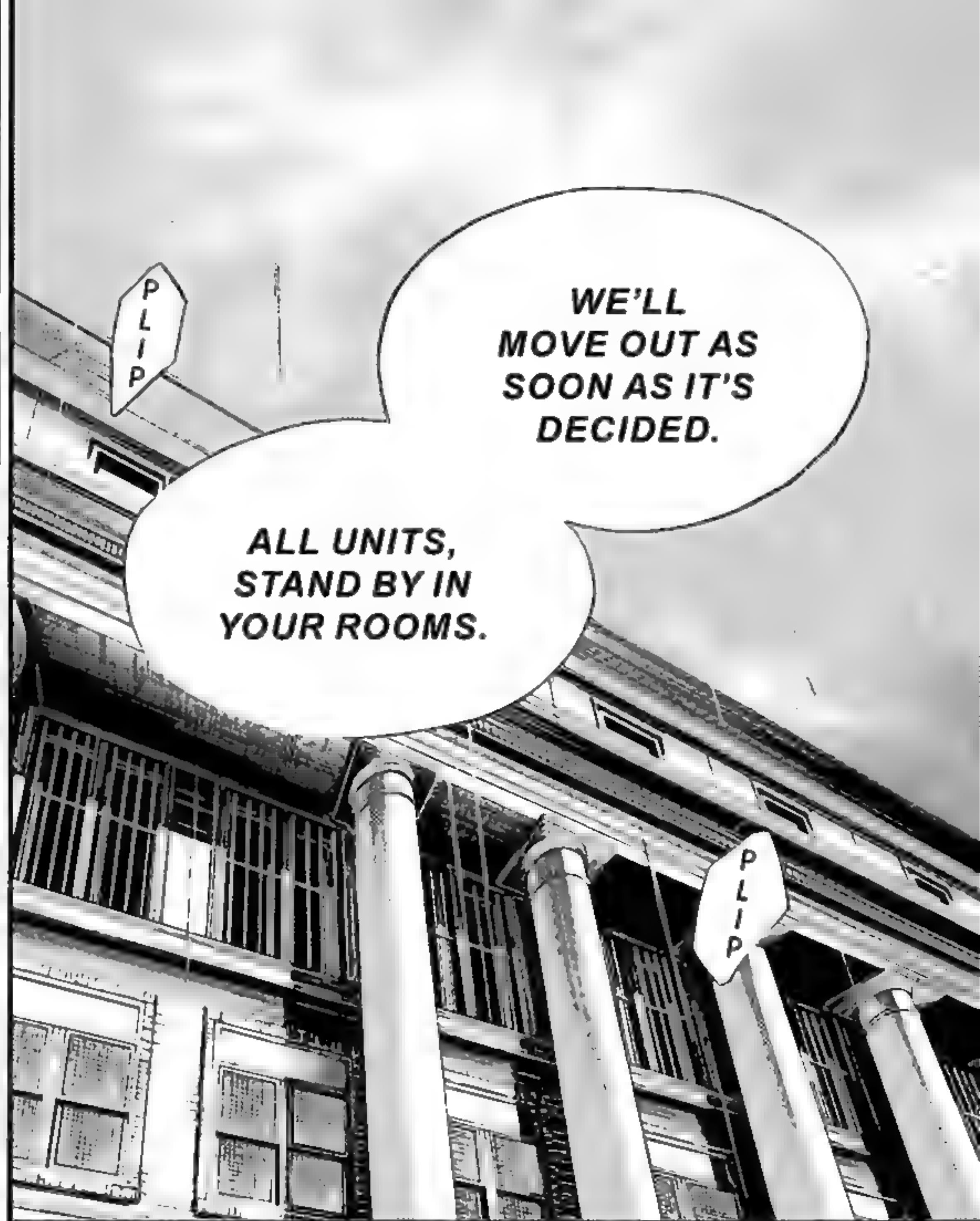
I...





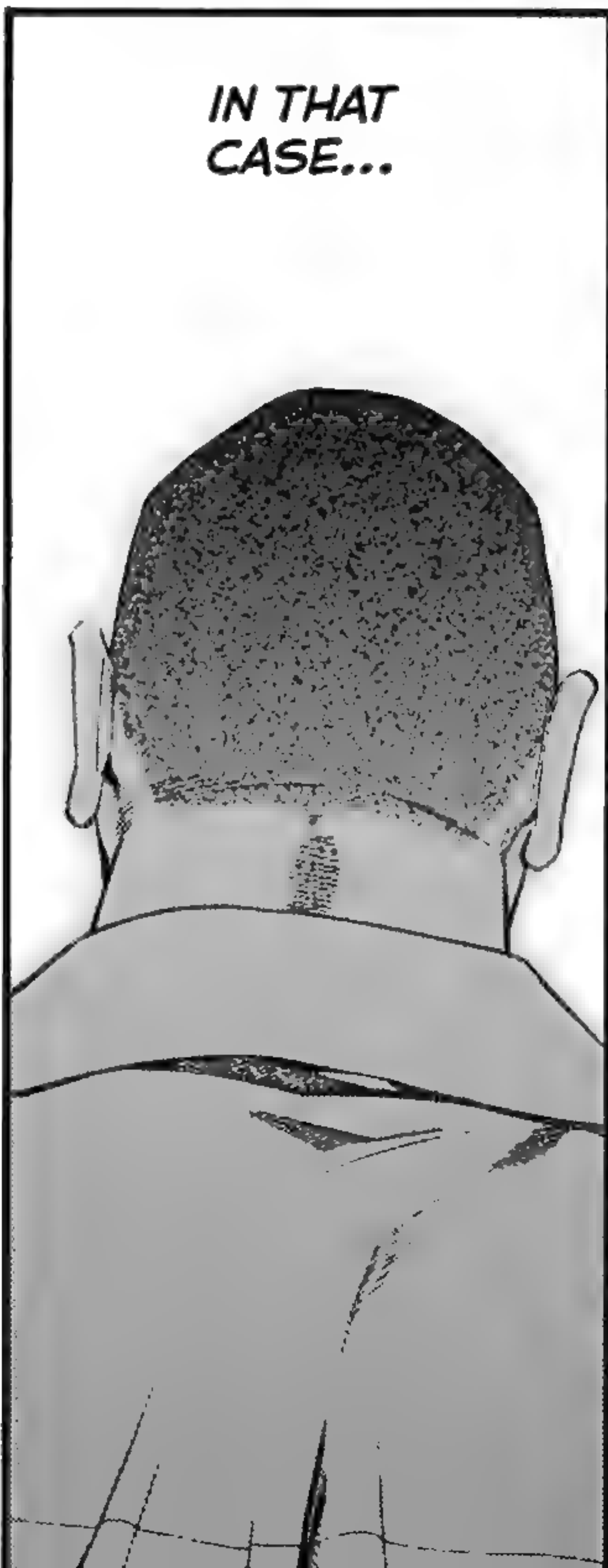
AAAHI IT'S
RAINING!

TAP TAP TAP



WE'LL
MOVE OUT AS
SOON AS IT'S
DECIDED.

ALL UNITS,
STAND BY IN
YOUR ROOMS.



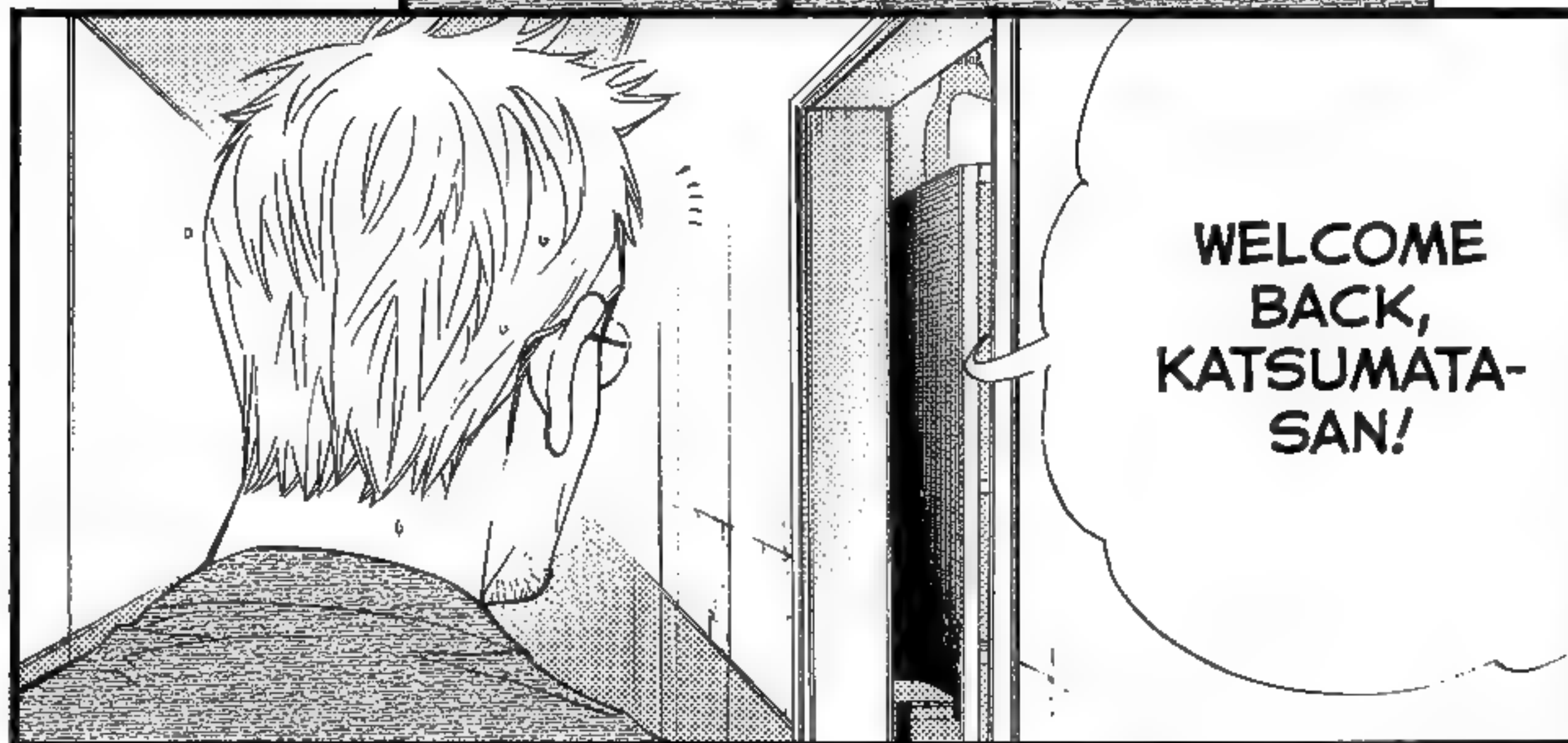
IN THAT
CASE...

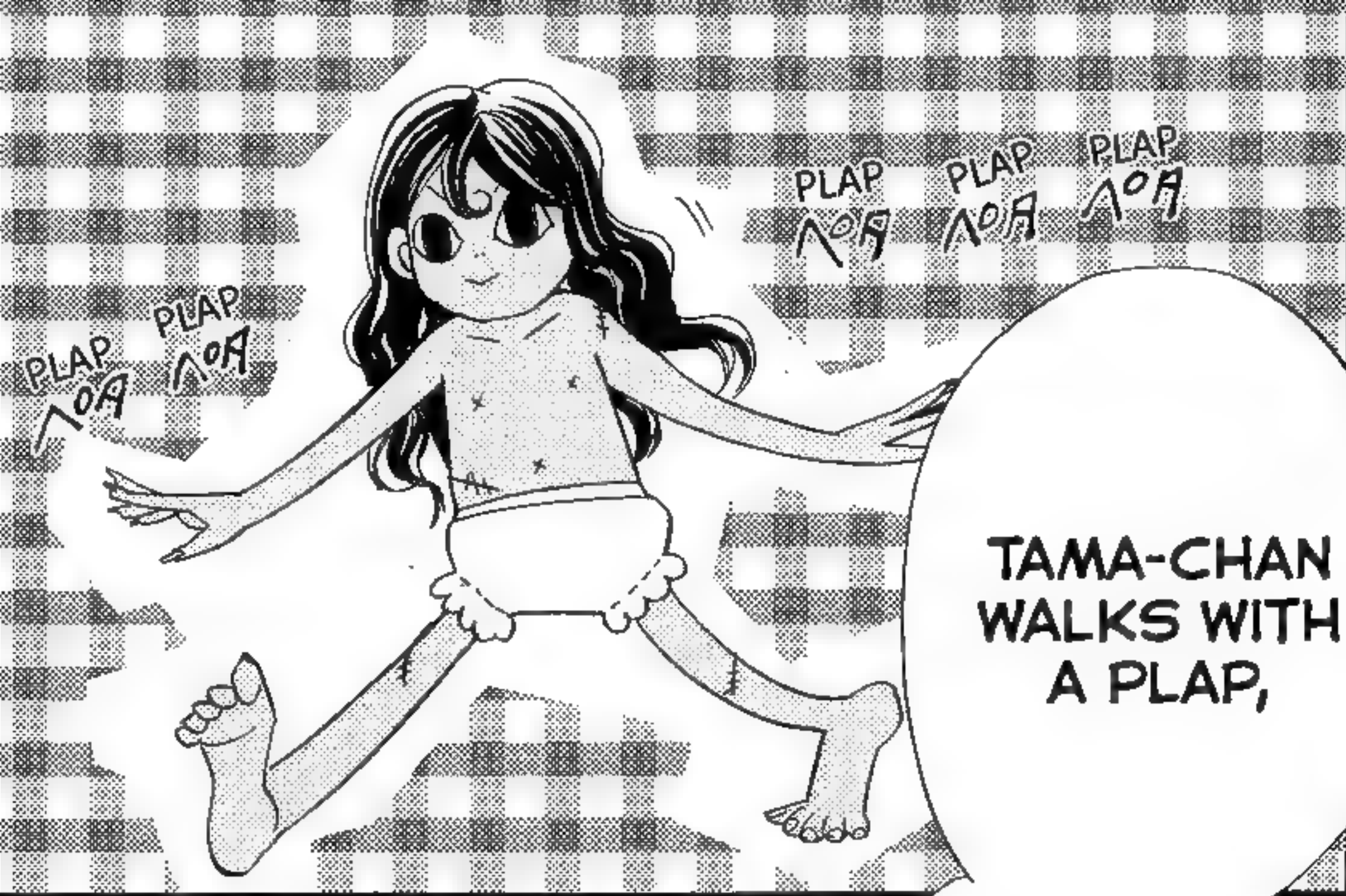


...NOT
GOOD.

AT THIS
RATE, IT'S
ONLY A
MATTER
OF TIME
BEFORE
I COME
FACE TO
FACE
WITH THE
POET.







TAMA-CHAN
WALKS WITH
A PLAP,



WHILE
MICKIE'S
FOOT-
STEPS
ARE HUGE.



YOU TEND
TO WALK
LEISURELY, SO
YOUR FOOT-
STEPS ARE
SOFTER.

HOLD
THIS,
PLEASE.

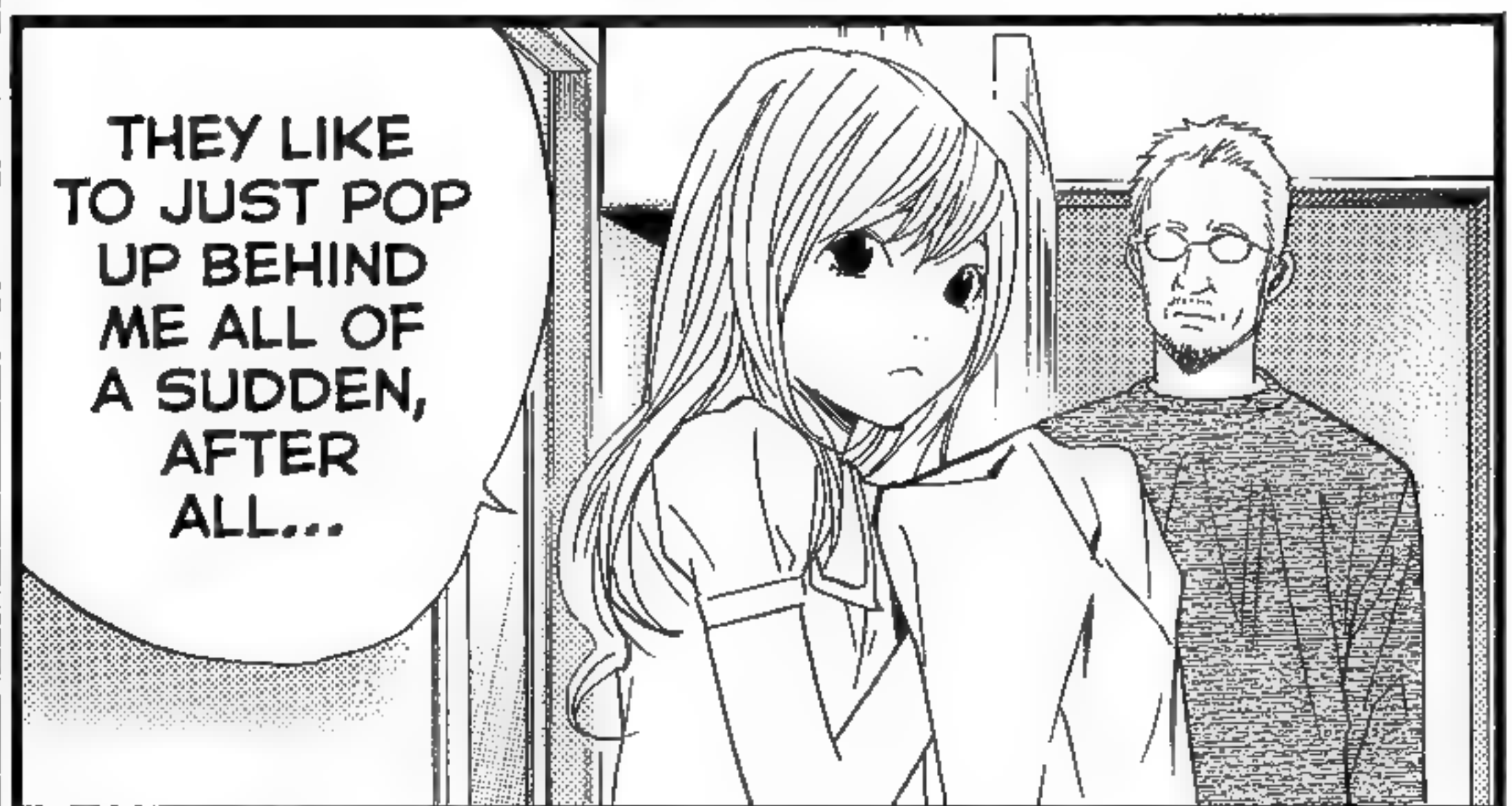
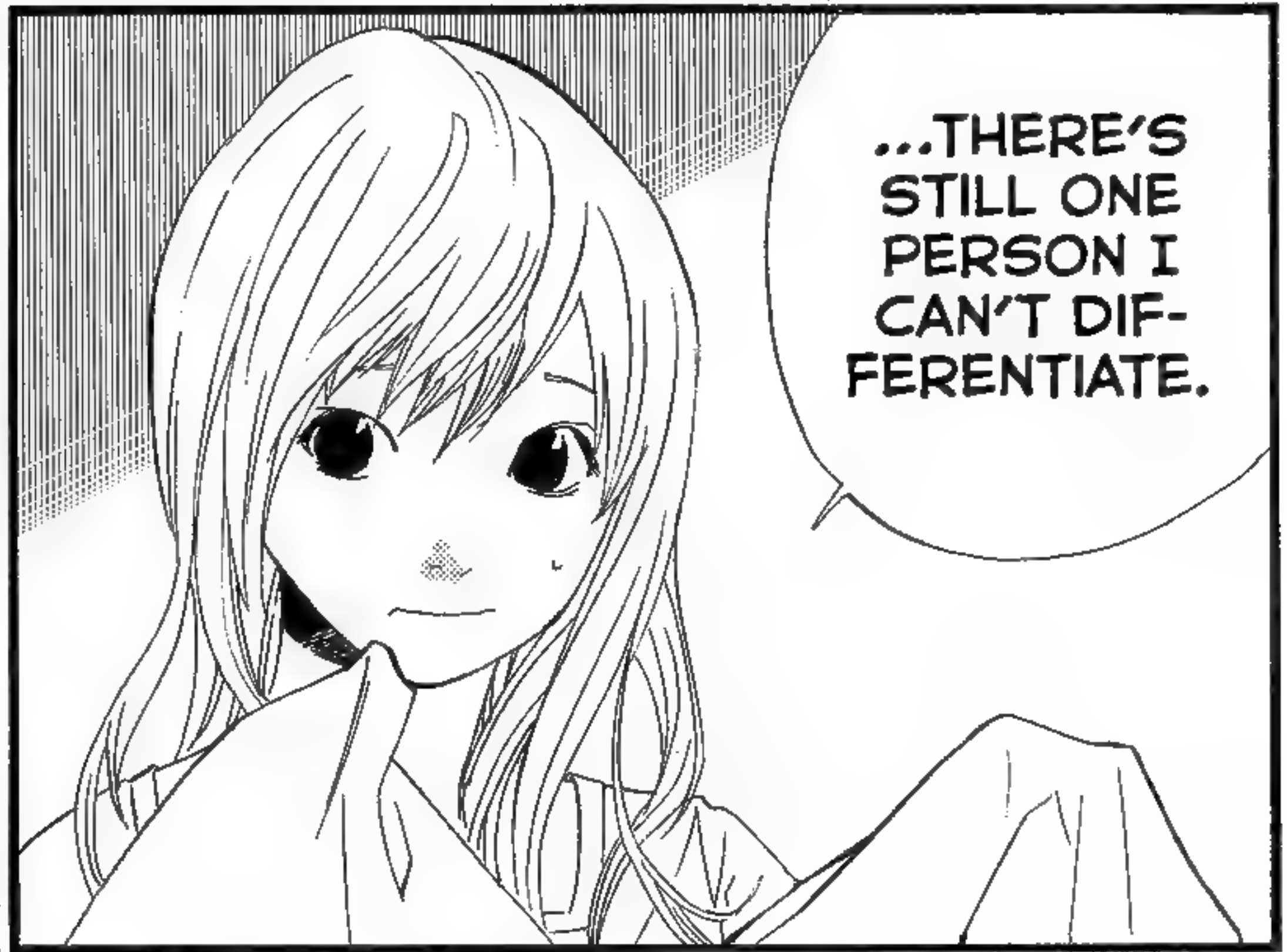
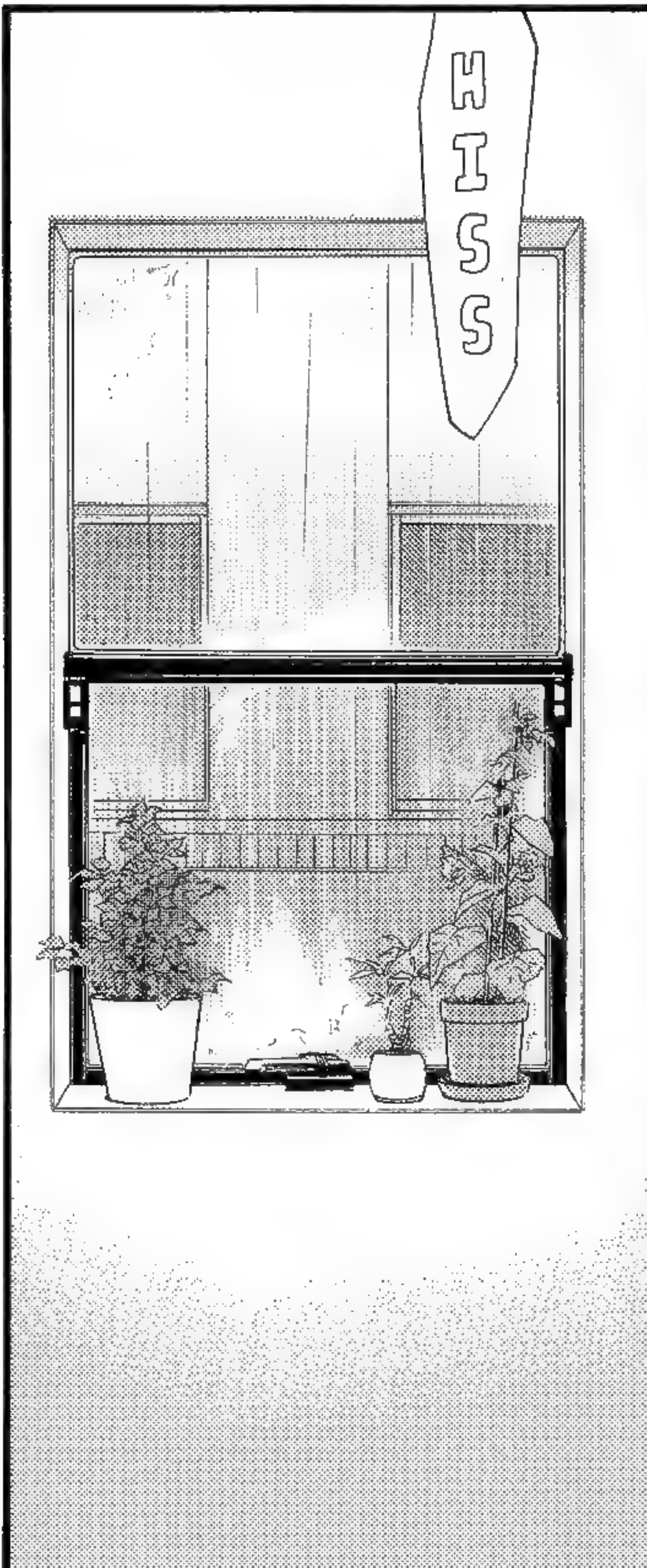
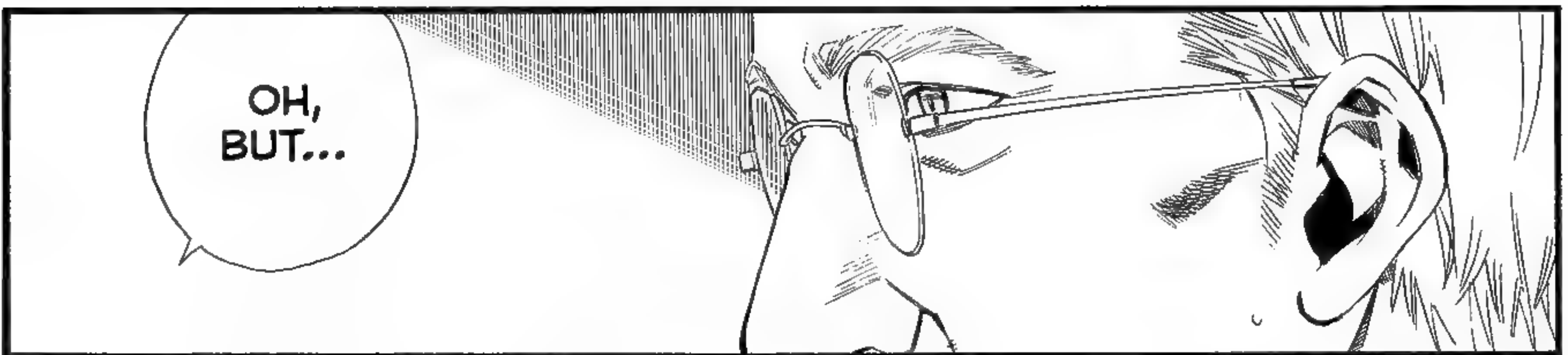


IT'S PRETTY
EASY TO
TELL JUST
BY FOOT-
STEPS.



...WALKS
WITH A
SHUFFLE!

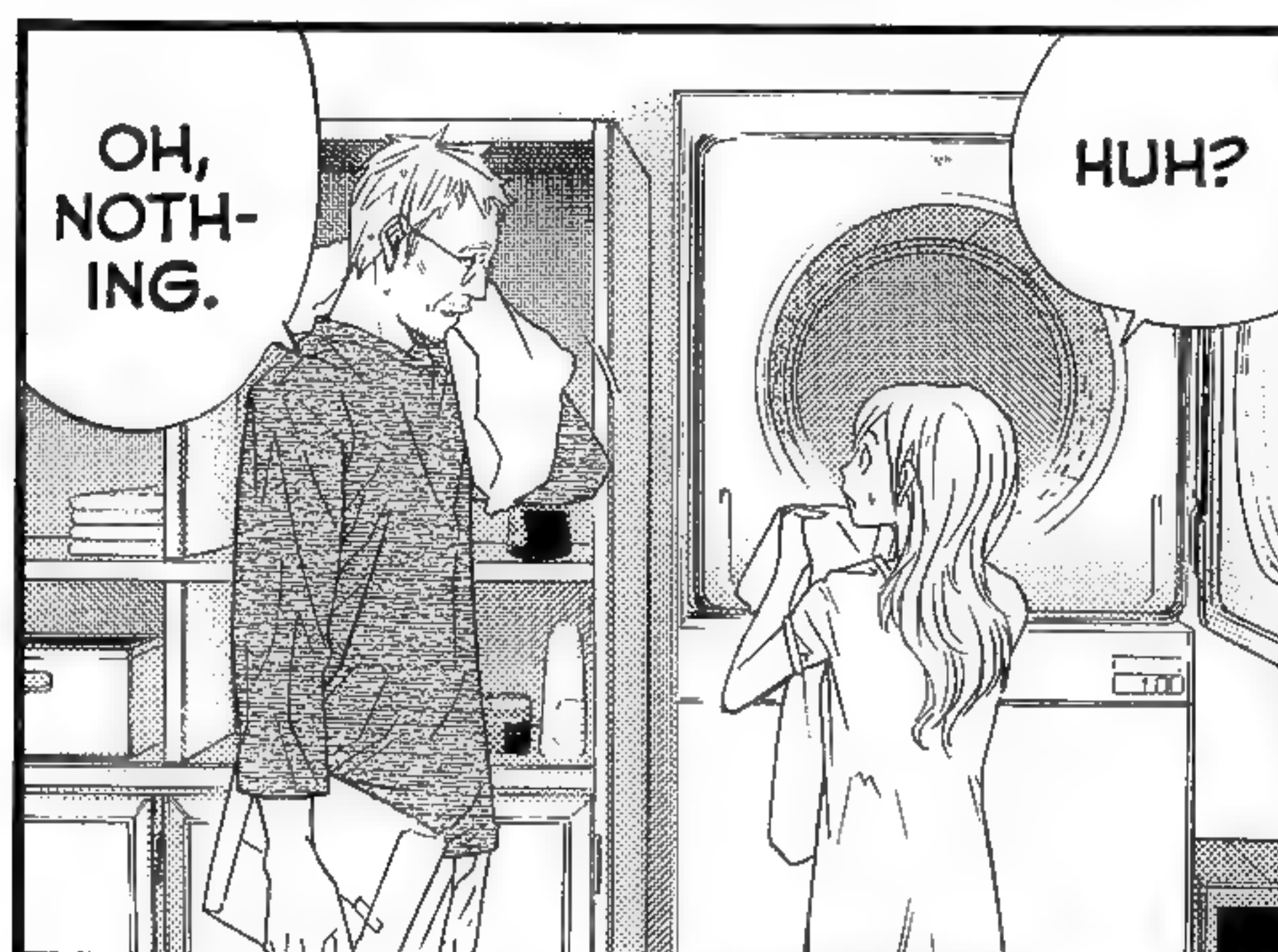
AND HANG-
SAN...





I'M EXCITED
TO SEE WHAT
FORM SHE'LL
COME BACK
AS THIS TIME,
TOO...

HANG-SAN
HASN'T
BEEN
BACK FOR
A WHILE,
HUH?



OH,
NOTH-
ING.

HUH?



YES...

I DO
HOPE
SHE
RETURNS
SAFELY.



JUST
TALKING
TO MY-
SELF...



IN THAT CASE...





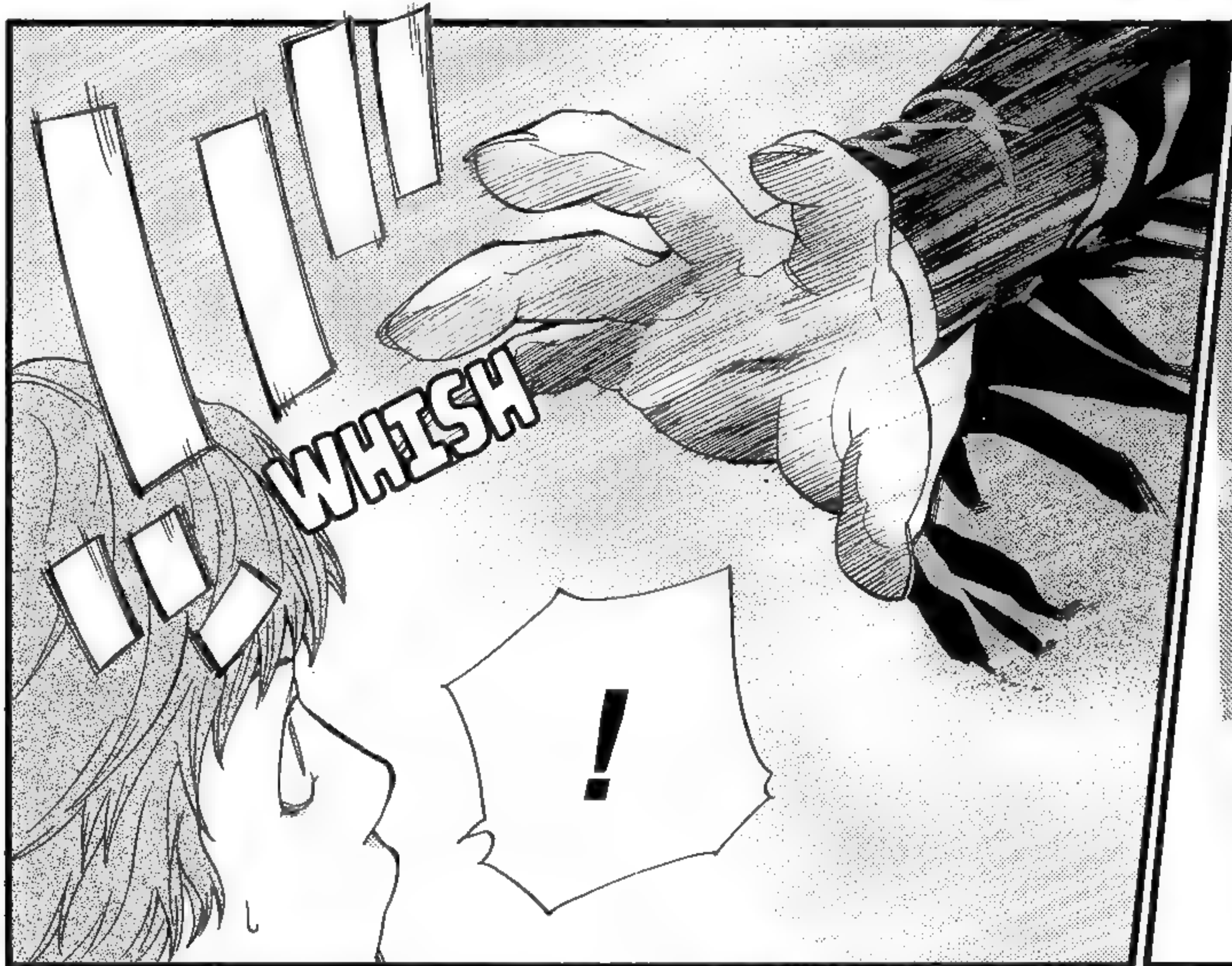
LET'S KICK
THINGS
OFF WITH A
BANG!

?!

AAAH!

KA
BOOM
BOOM

BEEP







**BUT...
YOU'RE
REALLY A
WOMAN.**



**A BEAUTIFUL
WOMAN,**

**WEARING A
GORGEOUS
DRESS.**



**YOU WERE
ONCE...**

**THE CROWD
ROARS WITH
APPLAUSE...**

**...SO
DAZZLING,
BUT NOW—**



...?!

N-NO!

I DON'T
WANT TO
LEAVE!



...HMPH! I DON'T
HAVE TIME FOR
CHITCHAT.

COME ON!
YOU'RE COMING
WITH ME!



ヒッ
FUMP



YOU SURE ARE A
CHATTY BRAT!



FOR SOME-
ONE WHO CAN
CONTROL, HE'S
NOT MUCH.



IN THE END,
IT ALL COMES
DOWN TO
MOBILITY!



SPLASH



ARMS AND
LEGS THAT
CAN MOVE
FREELY!

A BODY
BRIMMING
WITH POWER!



WITH THIS POWER
BESTOWED UPON ME
BY THE HEAVENS...

...NO MATTER
HOW MANY TIMES
I HAVE TO...

cool! Loco

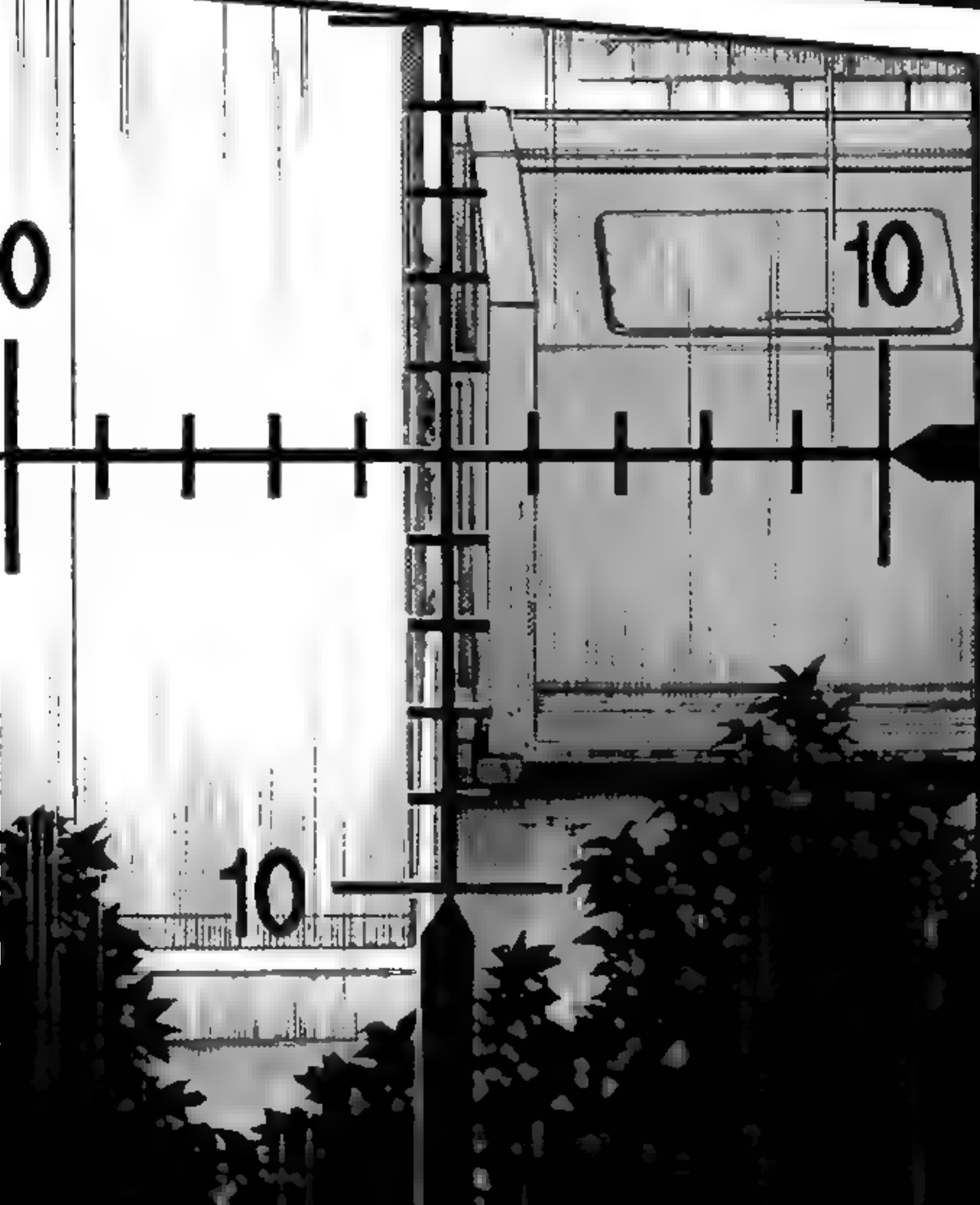


I'M NOT LIKE I
USED TO BE.





AAAHH!





SORRY,
D3...

WE WERE GOOD
FRIENDS UNTIL
THIS MORNING...

...BUT
WORK'S
WORK.



GYAAAH!

AAAH!

EEEEK!



WHERE DO YOU
THINK YOU'RE
GOING WITH
THE POET,

COMRADE?



AGH...

AAH!



THUD

!



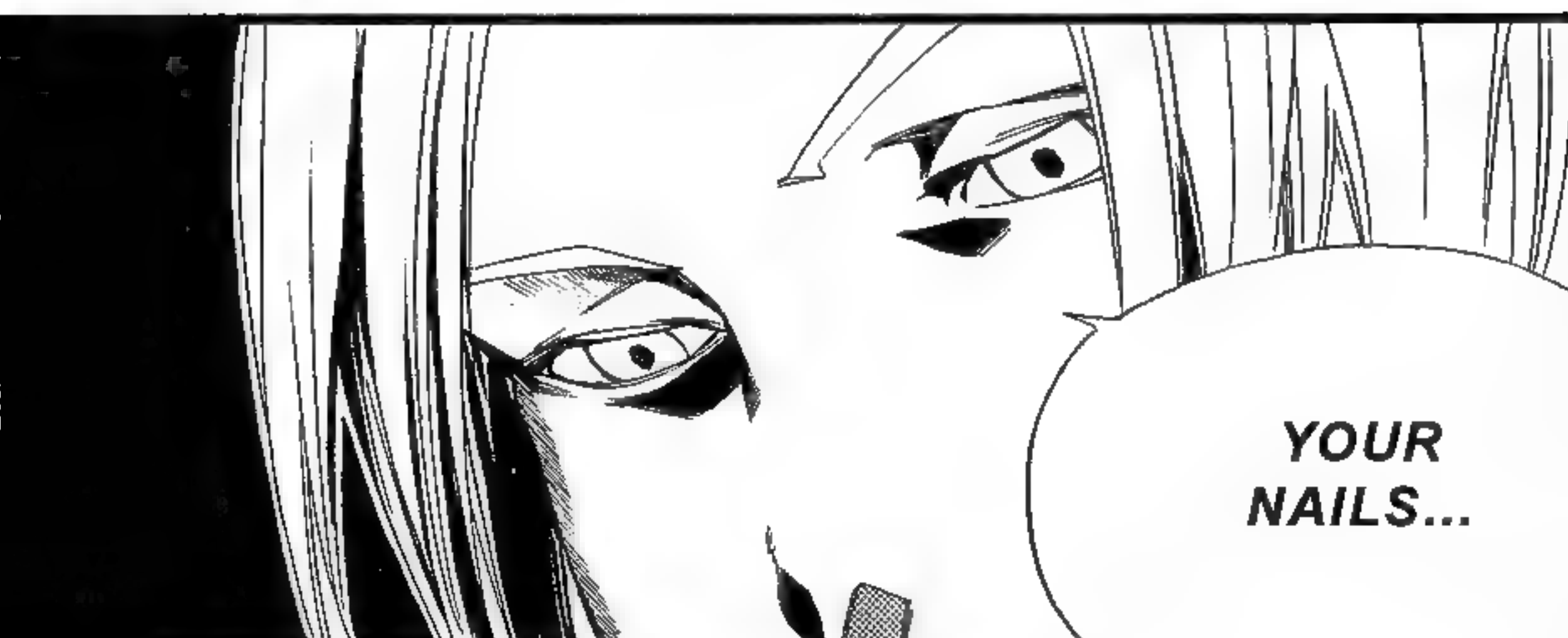
**GREAT.
STAND BY,
D2.**

**SERGEANT!
IT SEEMS THE
POET IS JUST
UNCONSCIOUS.**



**WHAT DO
YOU MEAN,
"COMRADE?!"**

**WH-WHAT'S
THE MEANING
OF THIS,
CAPTAIN?!**



**YOUR
NAILS...**

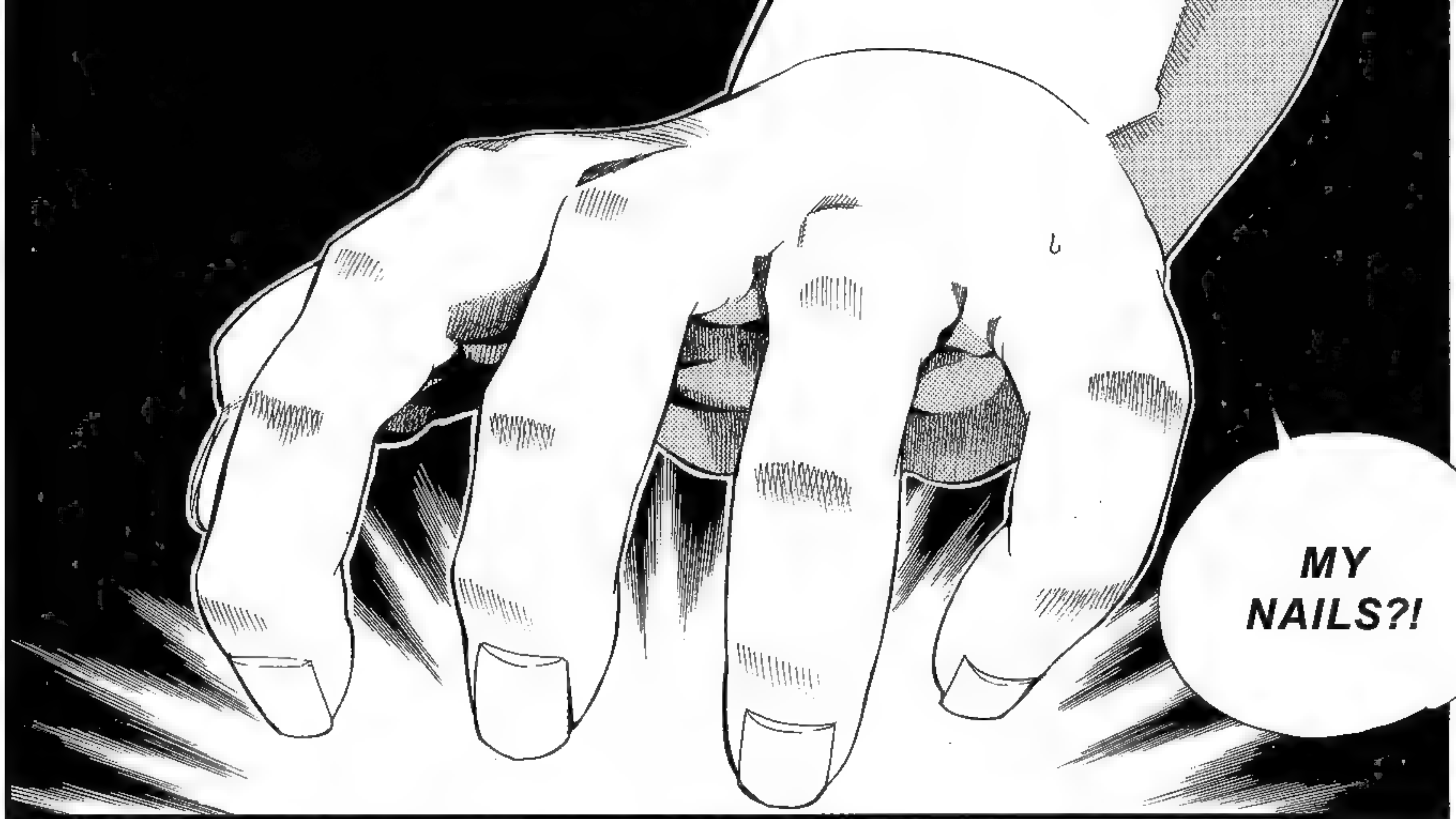


**YOU LET THEM
GROW OUT.**



**I FELT SOME-
THING WAS AMISS
WHEN THE SHIP
CAPTAIN DIED.**

**AND I FELT
THE SAME
THING ABOUT
YOU.**



**MY
NAILS?!**



**D3 IS AN
EXPLOSIVES
EXPERT.**

**IT'S DELICATE
WORK THAT
REQUIRES
EXTREME
PRECISION.**



**D3 WOULD
NEVER HAVE
NAILS LIKE
THAT.**

**DUE TO HIS JOB,
IT BECAME A
HABIT OF HIS TO
KEEP HIS NAILS
CLOSE CUT.**



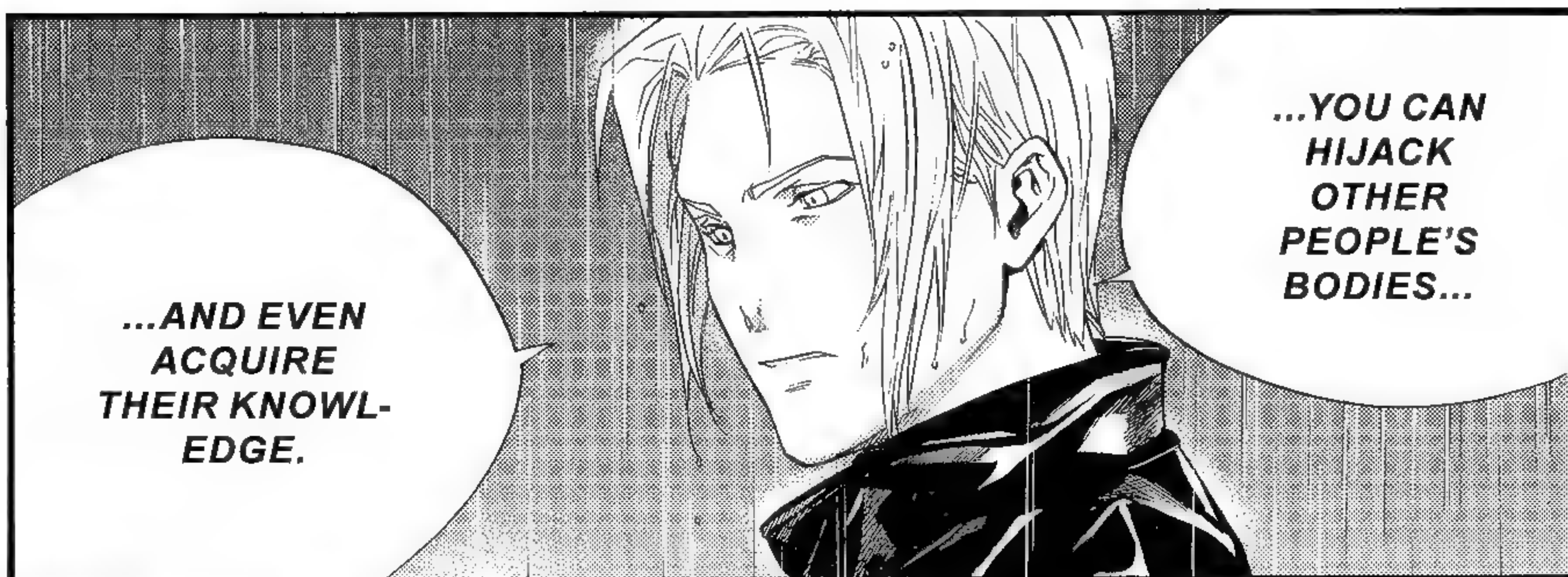
**POWERS
COME IN MANY
FORMS.**

**IN YOUR
CASE, I'M
GUESSING...**



**ARE YOU
INSANE?!**

**Y-YOU'RE
ACCUSING
ME OF BEING
A COMRADE
BECAUSE OF
THAT?!**



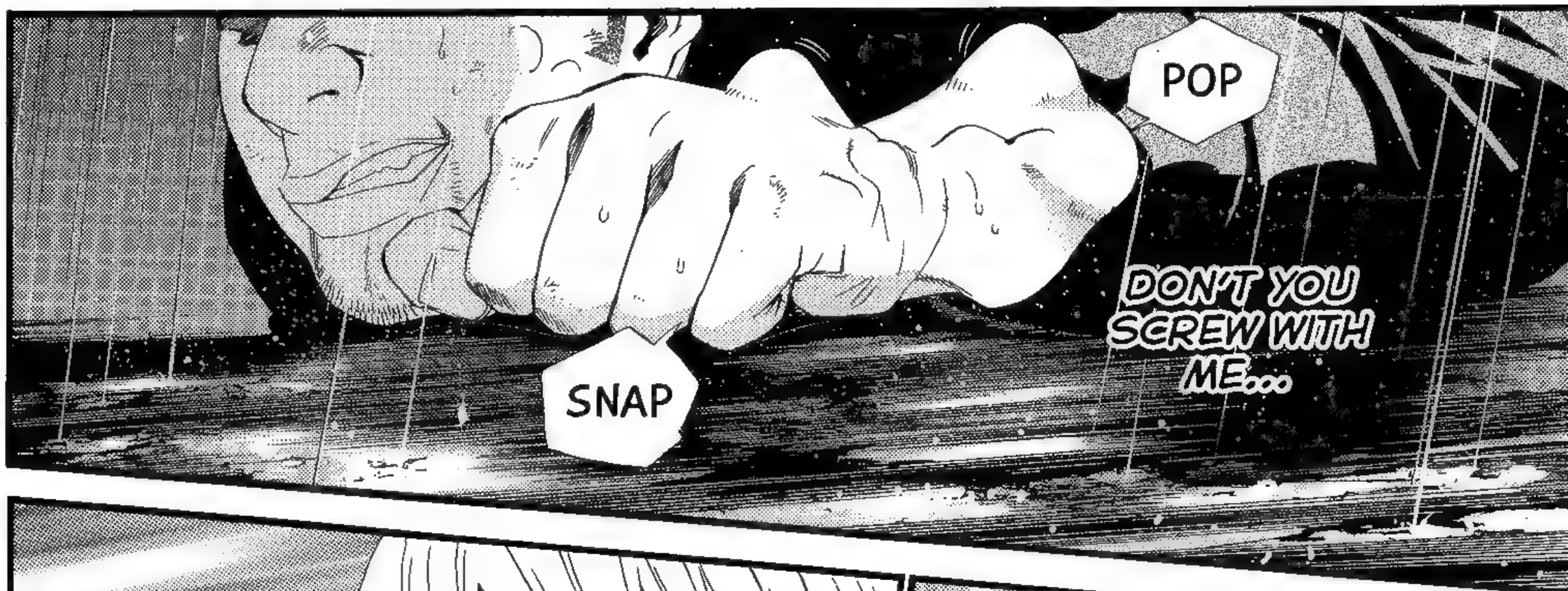
**...AND EVEN
ACQUIRE
THEIR KNOWL-
EDGE.**

**...YOU CAN
HIJACK
OTHER
PEOPLE'S
BODIES...**



**BUT YOU
COULDN'T
COPY HIS
HABITS.**

**THEY'RE DONE
SUBCONSCIOUSLY,
AFTER ALL.**



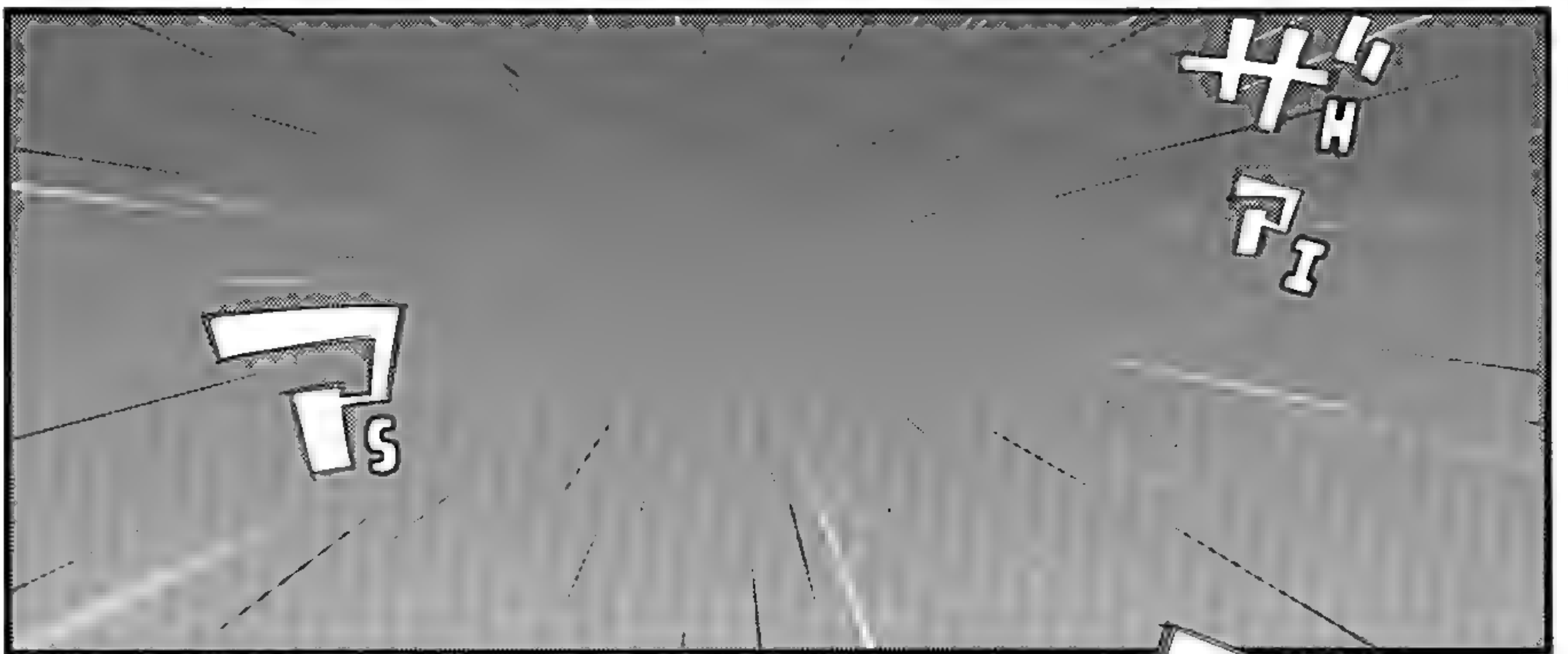
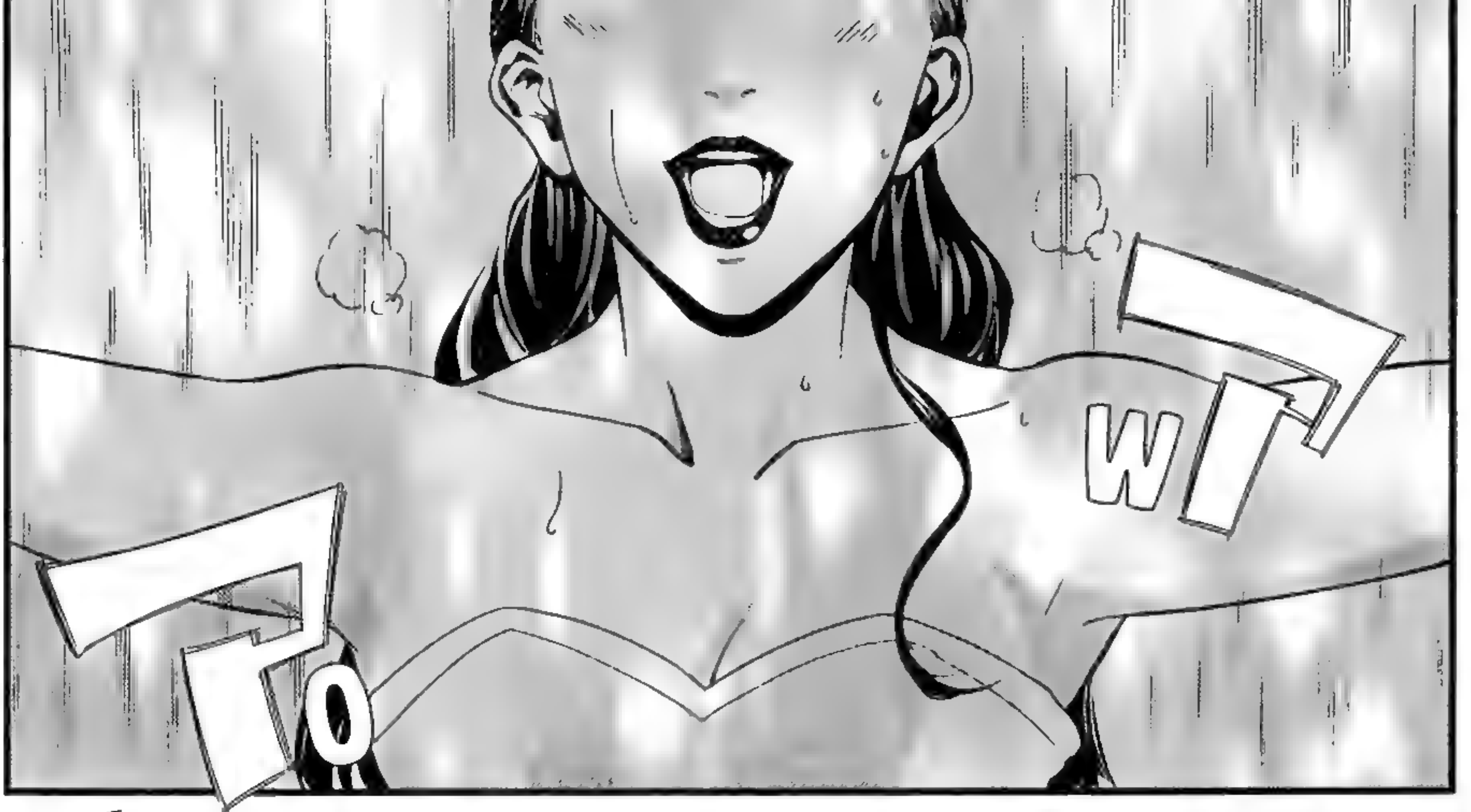


...WANT TO
LIVE!

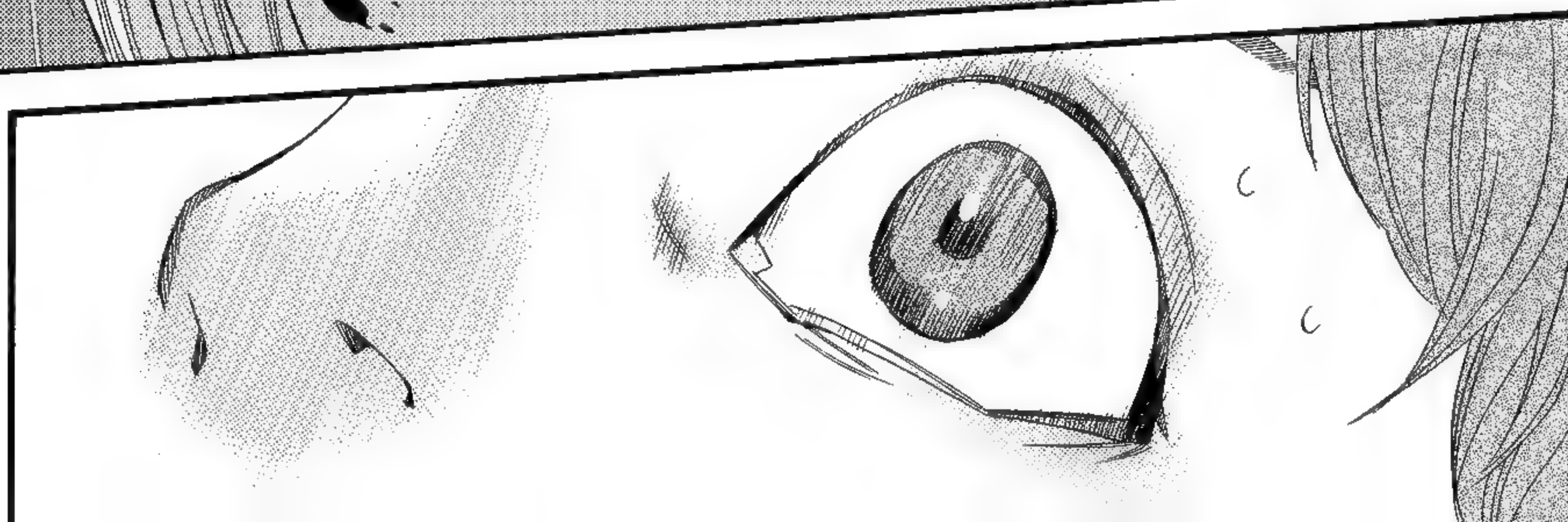
GRAAAAH!



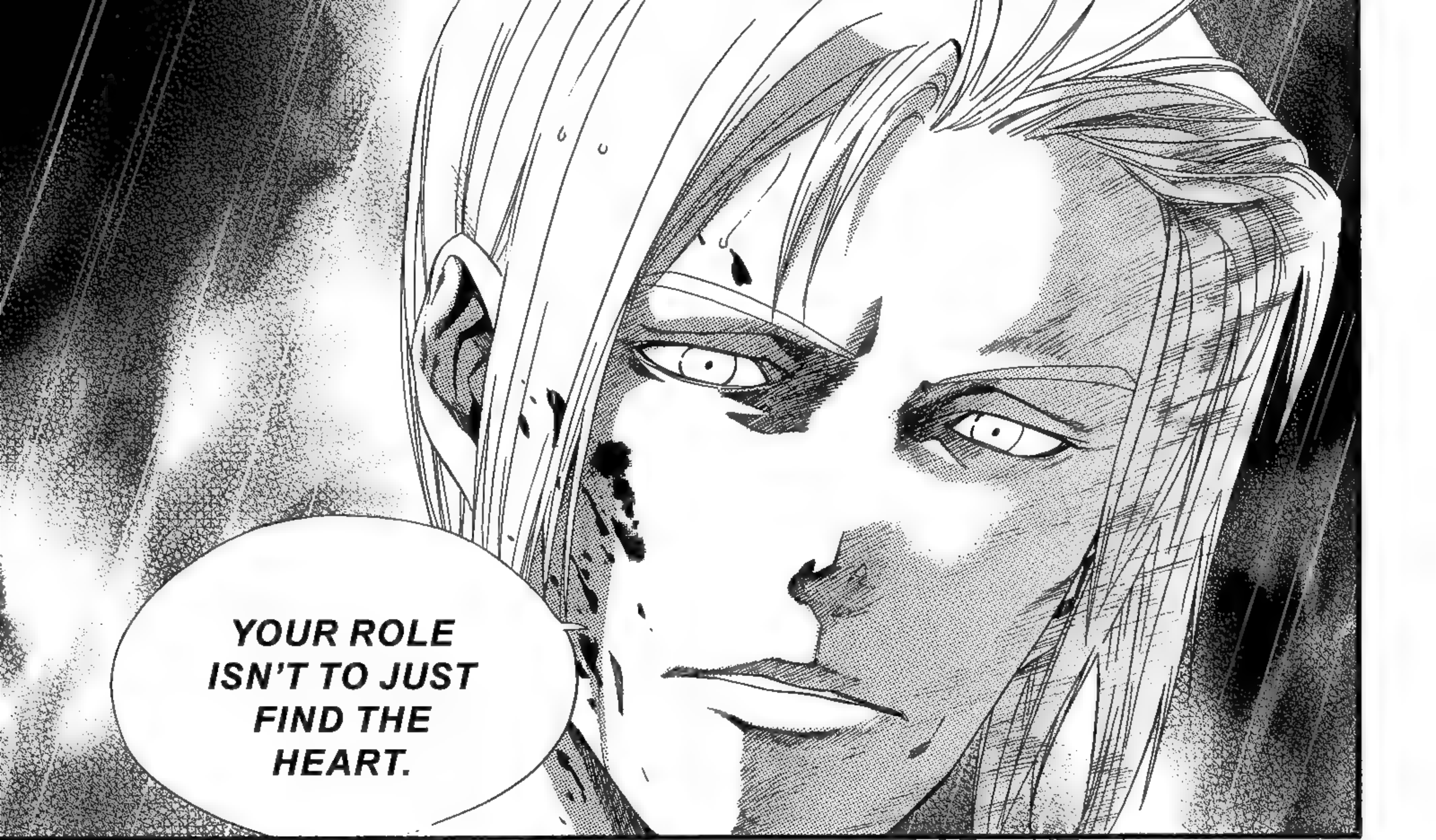











A close-up, black and white manga-style illustration of a man's face. He has long, light-colored hair and a serious, intense expression. His eyes are looking slightly to the side. The background is dark and textured with vertical lines.

**YOUR ROLE
ISN'T TO JUST
FIND THE
HEART.**

A black and white manga-style illustration showing a close-up of a hand holding a large, curved knife. The knife is covered in blood, and the hand is also stained with blood. The background is dark and textured.

**YOU'RE GOING
TO HELP US KILL
ANY COMRADES
STANDING IN
OUR WAY.**



ALIVE

We are alive on this planet, and they arrived... THE FINAL EVOLUTION

FAR
BELOW
THE
OCEAN'S
SUR-
FACE...

AT
SEA FAR
OFF THE
SOUTH-
ERN
SHORES
OF
JAPAN...

...ACRO'S
HEART,
HIROSE,
SLUMBERS
...

...THE
AIRCRAFT
CARRIER
WAS
SUNK.





Chapter 52

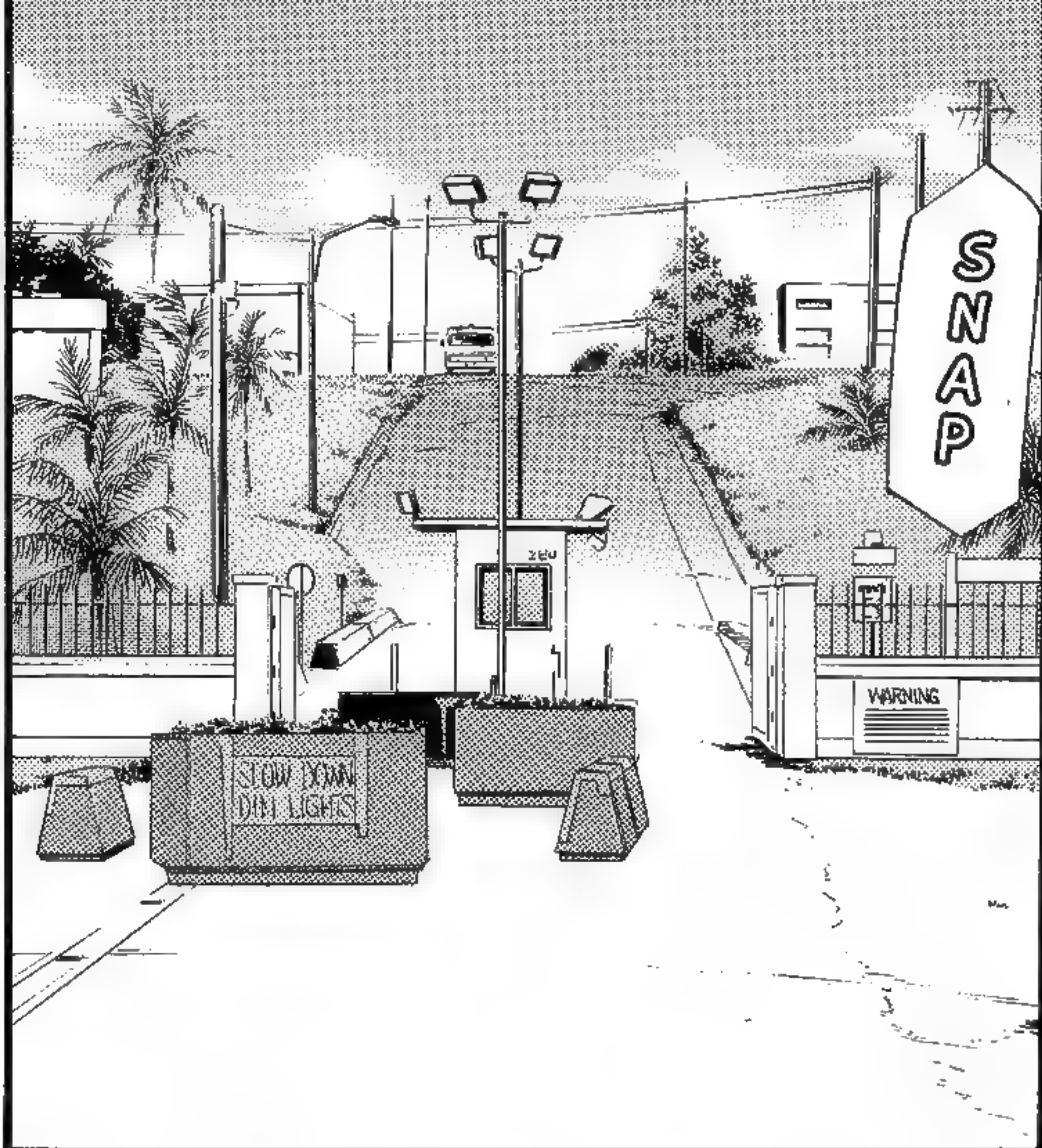
Sorry

There is always some madness in love.

AFTER
MEETING UP
WITH MAMA
YUKIE...

...WE
DISGUISED
OURSELVES
AS
TOURISTS...

...IN ORDER
TO SPY ON
THE MILI-
TARY.





IT'S
HUUUGE!



SO
BIG!



SO
CHEAP!



HEY,
REI-
NII!

LET'S
COMPARE
SIZE WITH
A HUMAN!

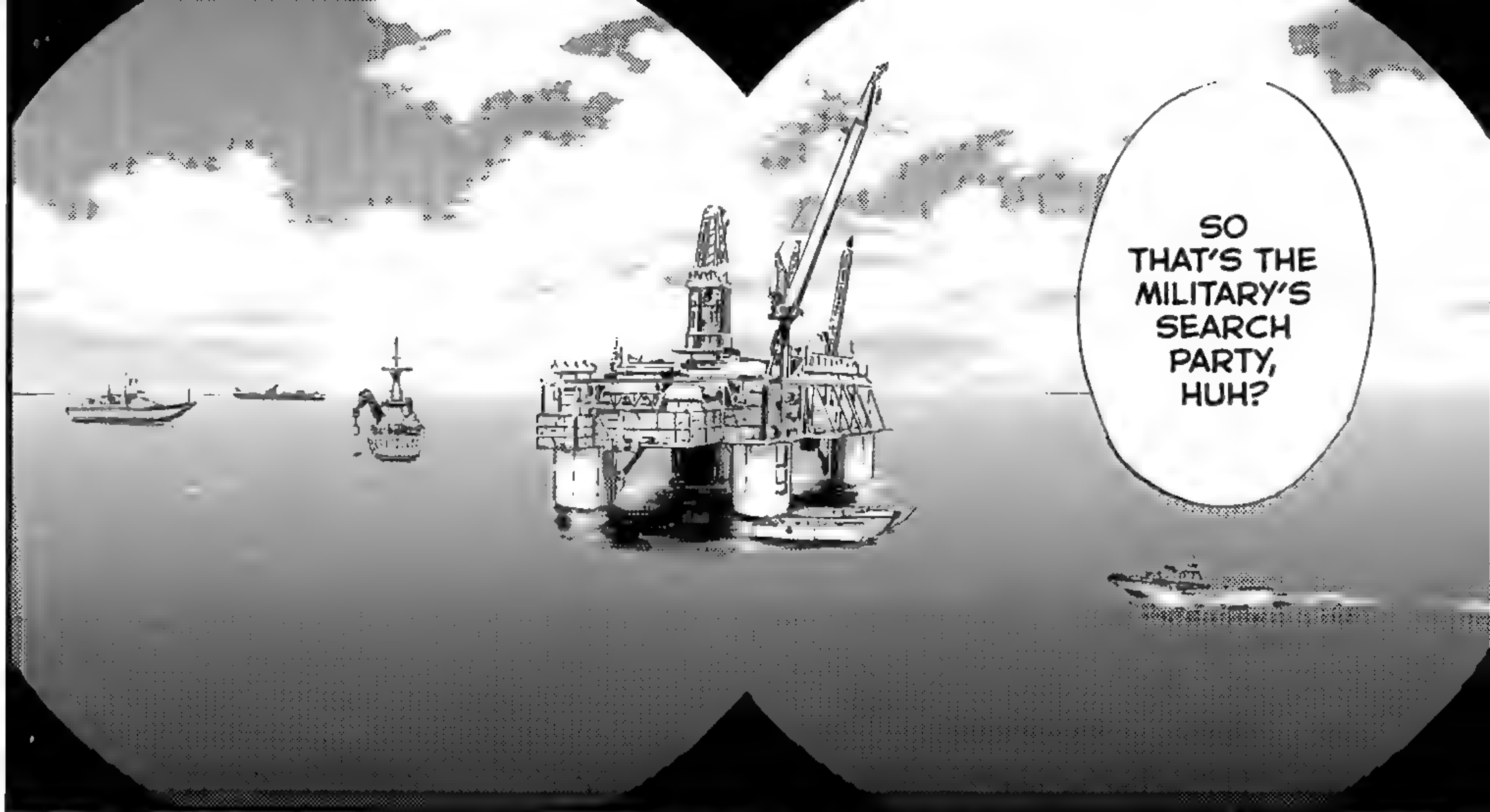


MAYBE I
SHOULD
BUY A
SWIM-
SUIT...

あ
AAAH

...WE'RE
NOT
PLAYING
AROUND
HERE.

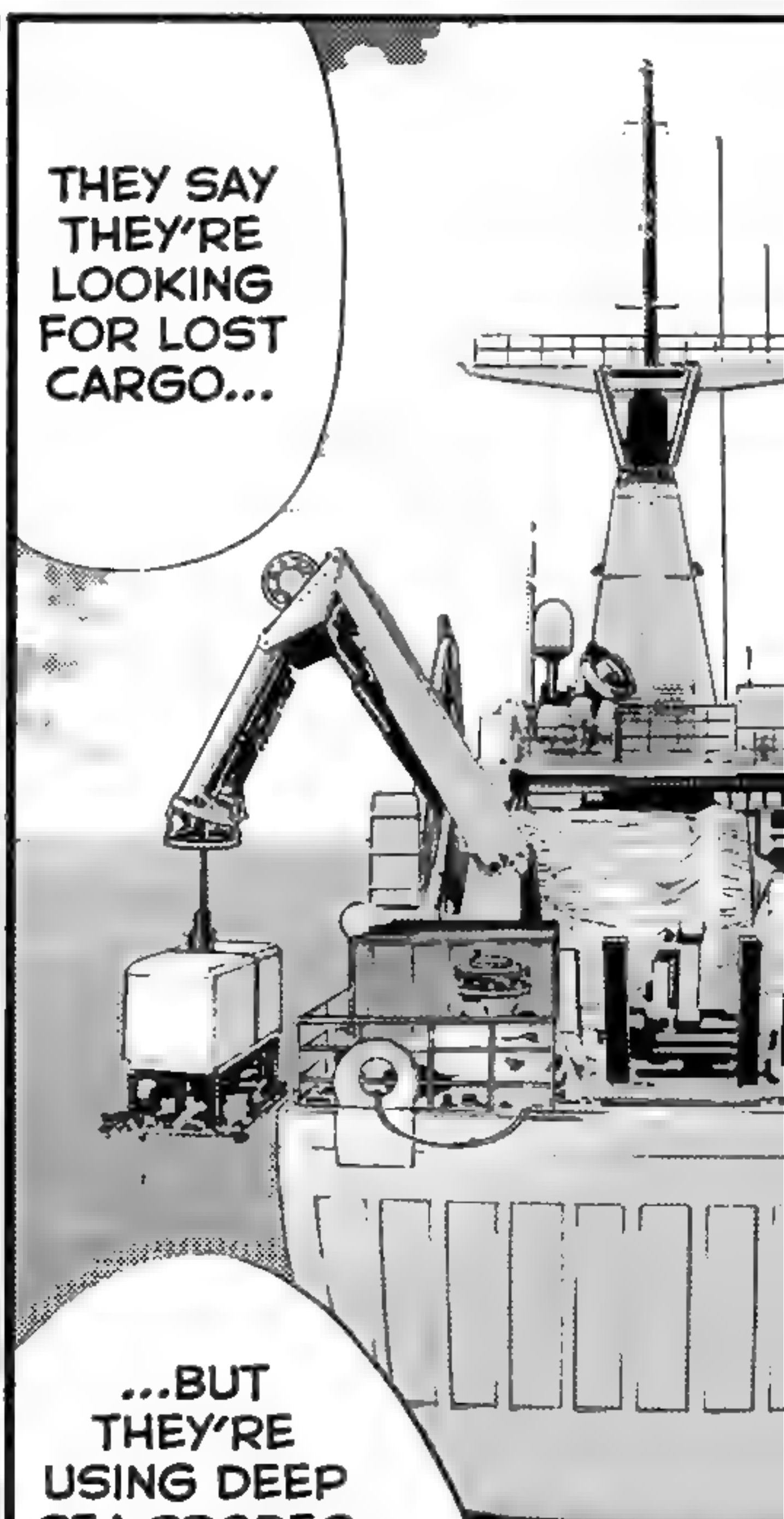




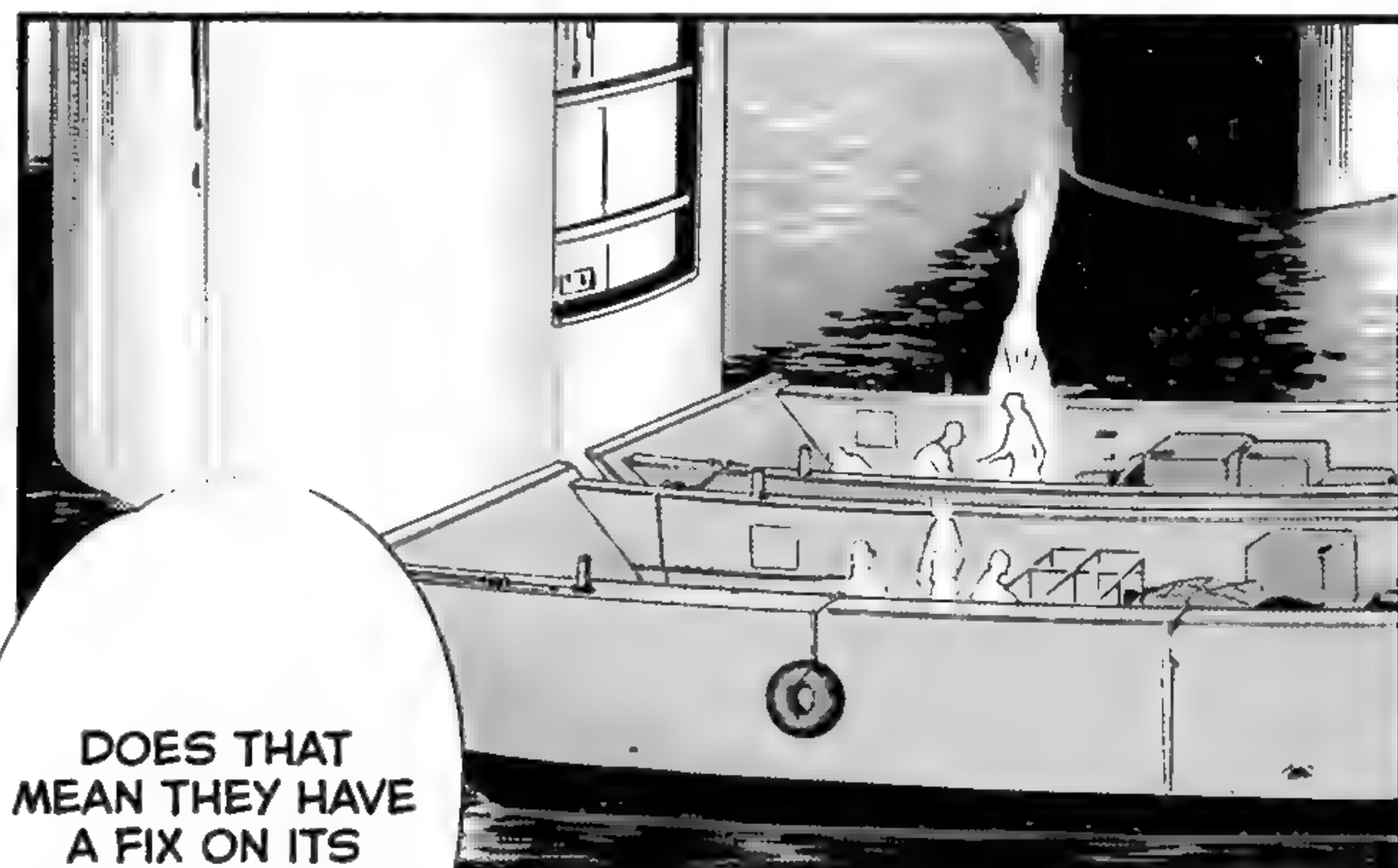
SO
THAT'S THE
MILITARY'S
SEARCH
PARTY,
HUH?



THEY EVEN
BUILT A PLAT-
FORM...



THEY SAY
THEY'RE
LOOKING
FOR LOST
CARGO...



DOES THAT
MEAN THEY HAVE
A FIX ON ITS
LOCATION?!



...BUT
THEY'RE
USING DEEP
SEA PROBES
AND SONAR.
THEY'RE
DEFINITELY
LOOKING
FOR THE
HEART.



HEY, TAI-SUKE!

THAT
AIN'T
GOOD...



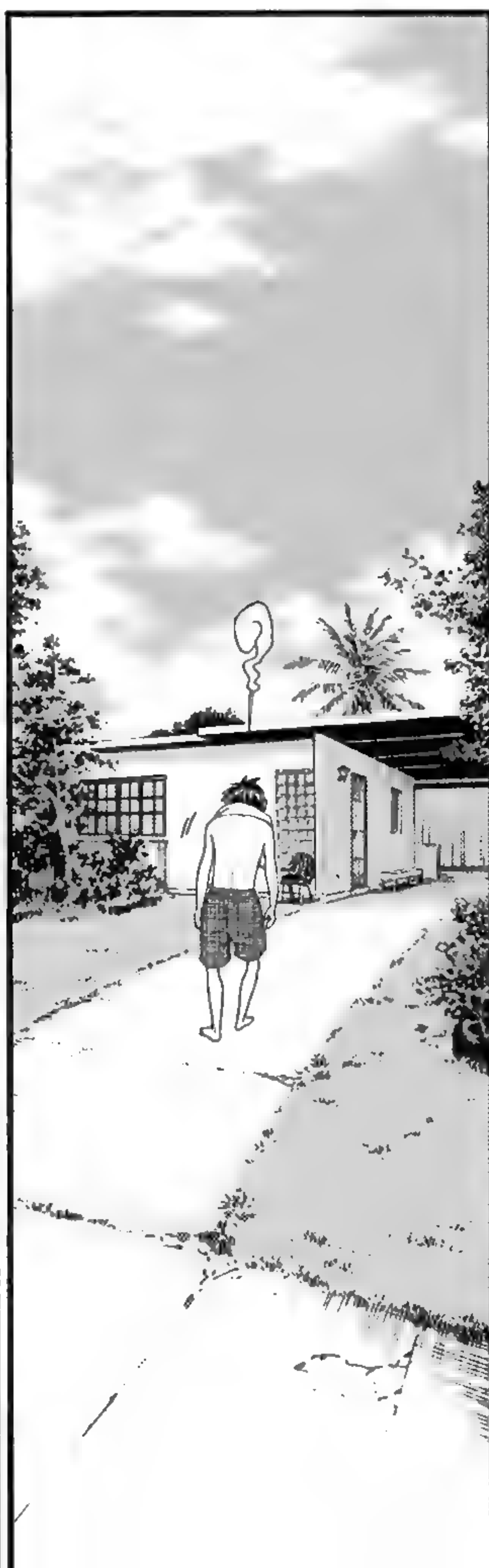
YOU BETTER
BE DOING
RECON LIKE
I TOLD YOU
TO!



...

ひびき
は
きこ
え







PROBABLY
BECAUSE
WE'RE
CLOSE TO
THE HEART.



MAMA
YUKIE HAS
BEEN LIKE
THIS PRAC-
TICALLY
EVERY DAY
LATELY.



DEEP
BELOW
THE SUR-
FACE...

OUT AT
SEA,



...IS
HIROSE.

LISTEN
UP.

WE'LL SPLIT
UP INTO TWO
TEAMS AND
USE THE
SAME DIVER-
SION TACTICS
AS LAST
TIME.

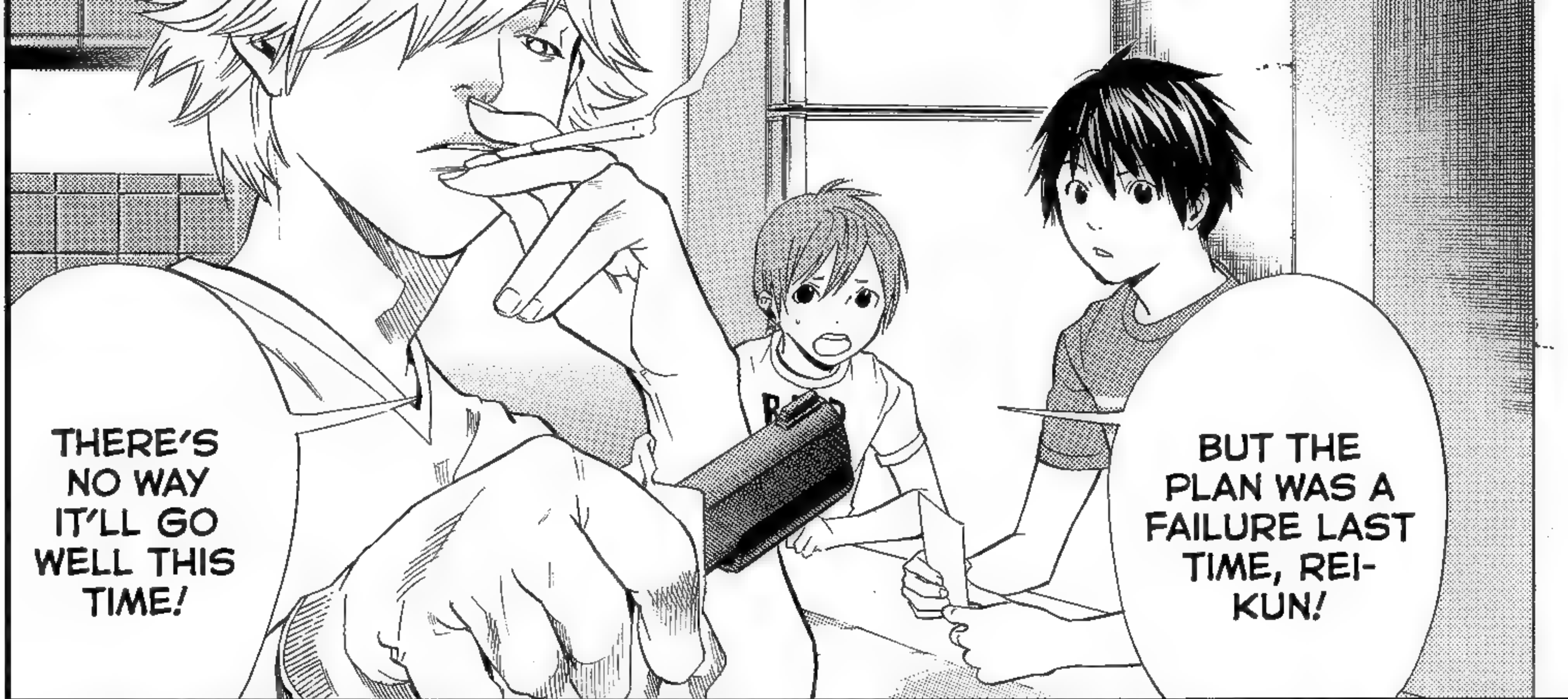
THIS IS
WHERE
THE
HEART
IS.

HERE'S
US.

"We are here."

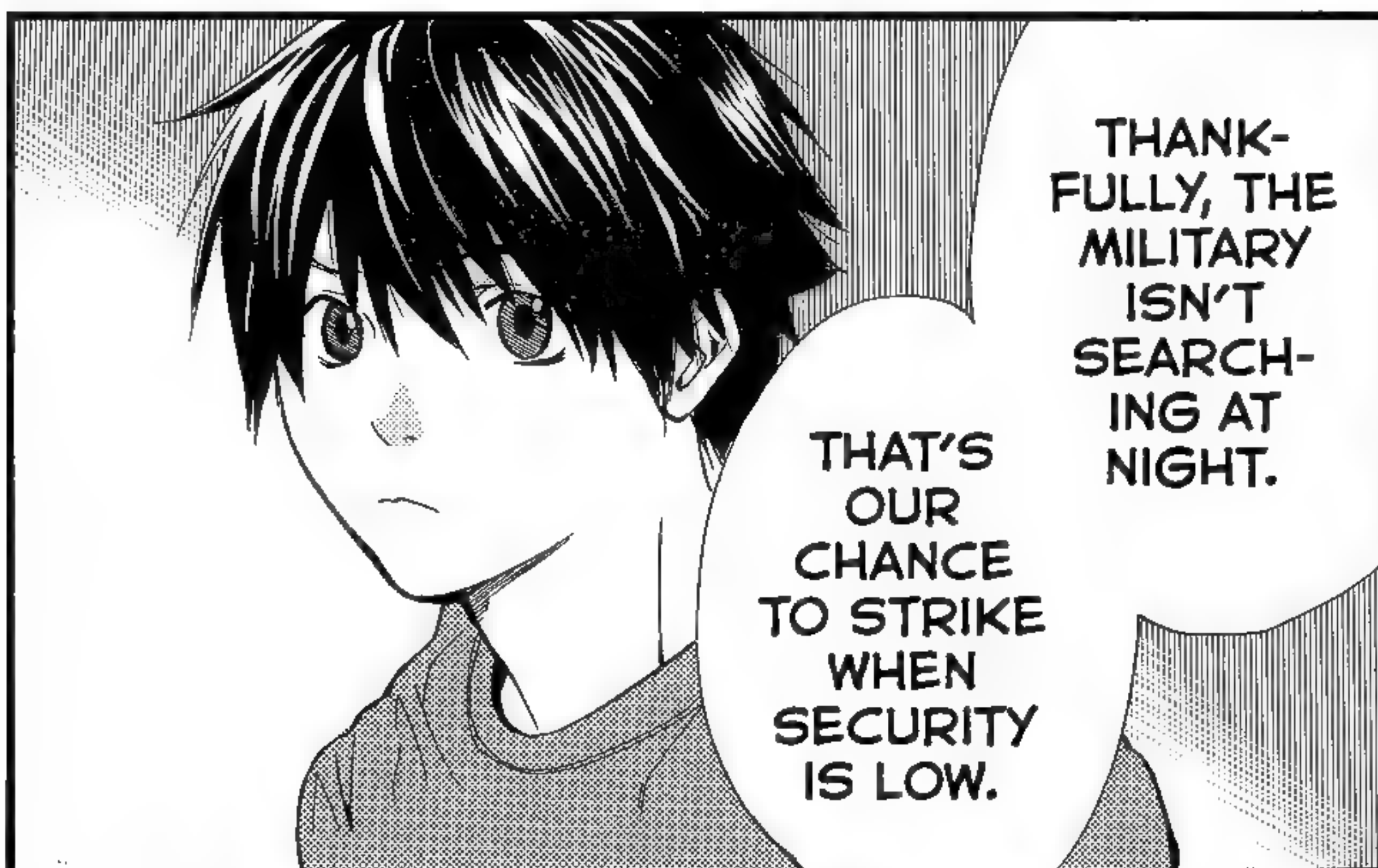
AGAIN?

AND
THIS'S
THE
NAVAL
BASE.



THERE'S
NO WAY
IT'LL GO
WELL THIS
TIME!

BUT THE
PLAN WAS A
FAILURE LAST
TIME, REI-
KUN!



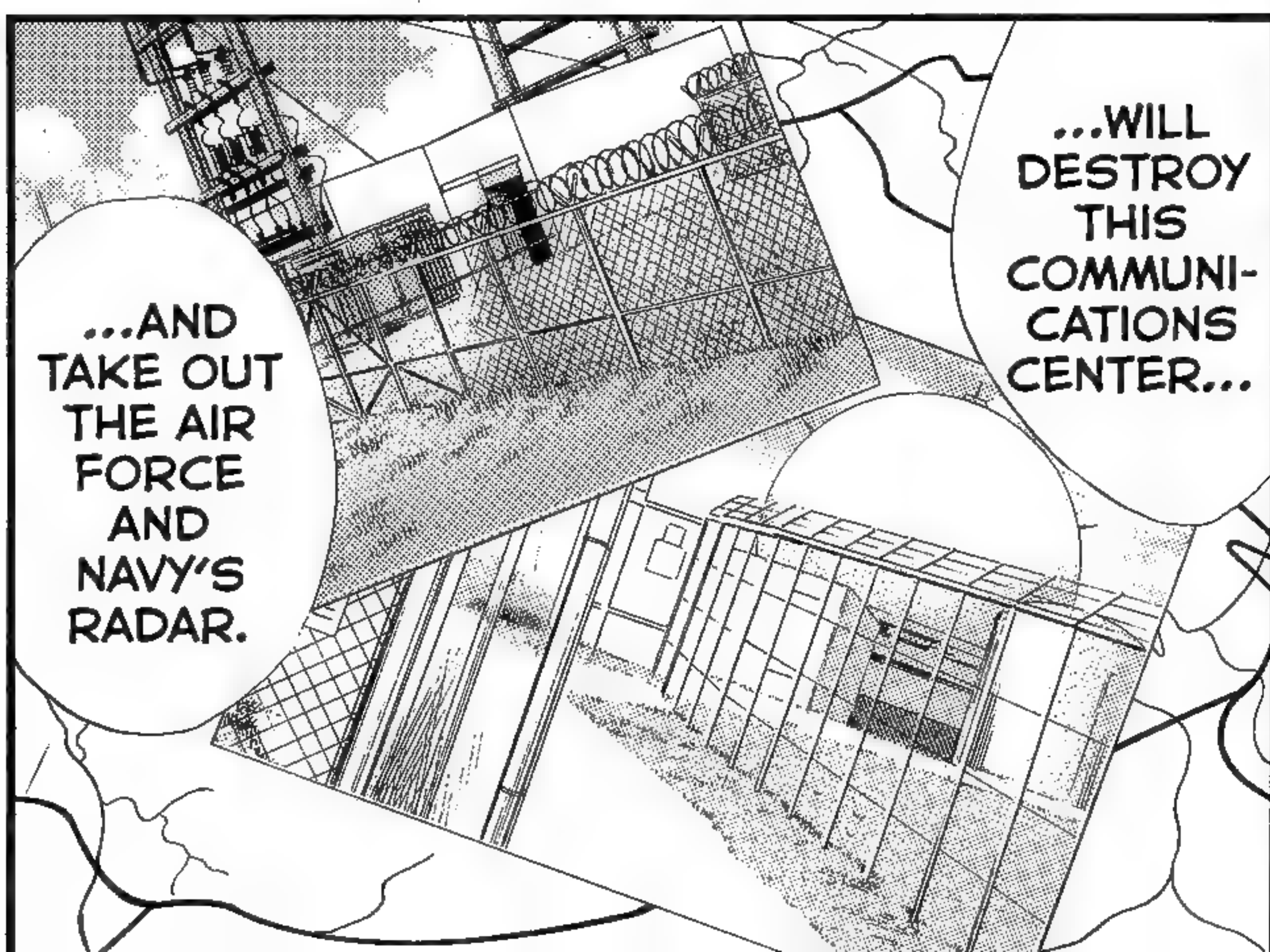
THANK-
FULLY, THE
MILITARY
ISN'T
SEARCH-
ING AT
NIGHT.

THAT'S
OUR
CHANCE
TO STRIKE
WHEN
SECURITY
IS LOW.



JUN,

YOU, NAMI,
AND YUTA...



...AND
TAKE OUT
THE AIR
FORCE
AND
NAVY'S
RADAR.

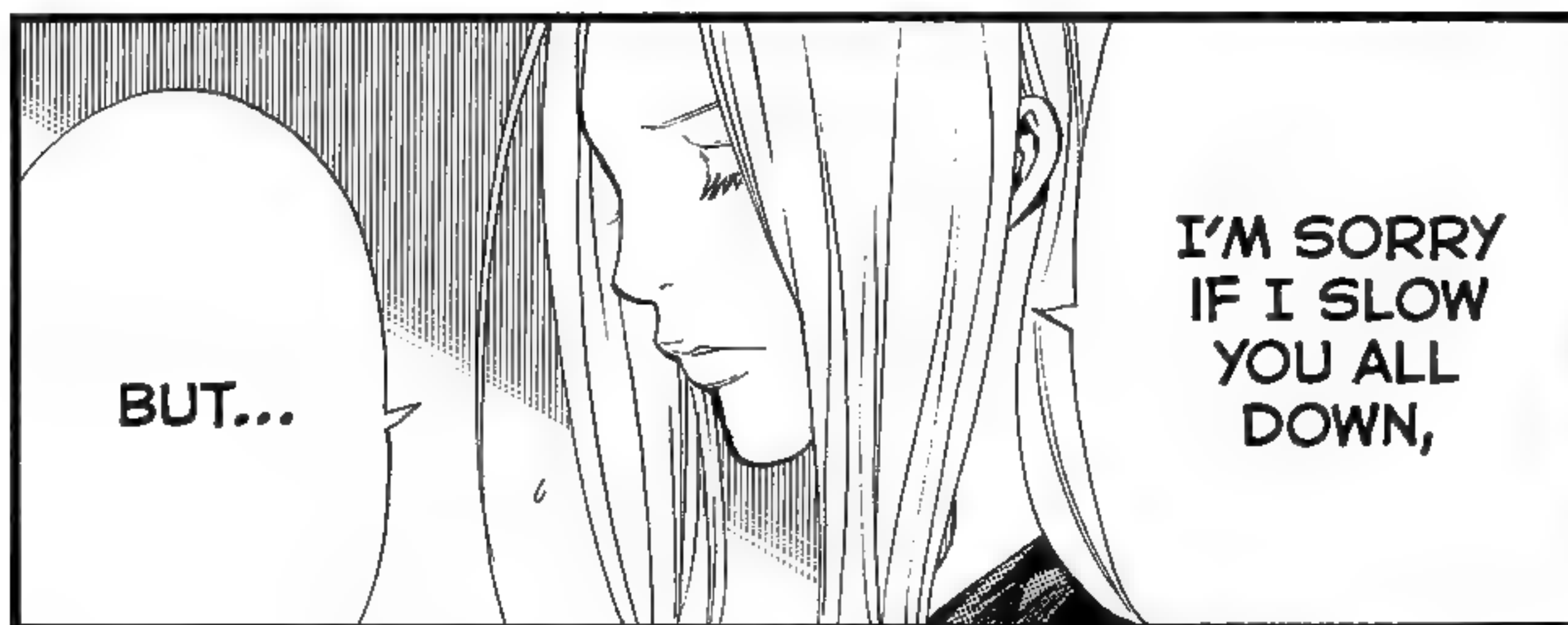
...WILL
DESTROY
THIS
COMMUNI-
CATIONS
CENTER...



...NO.

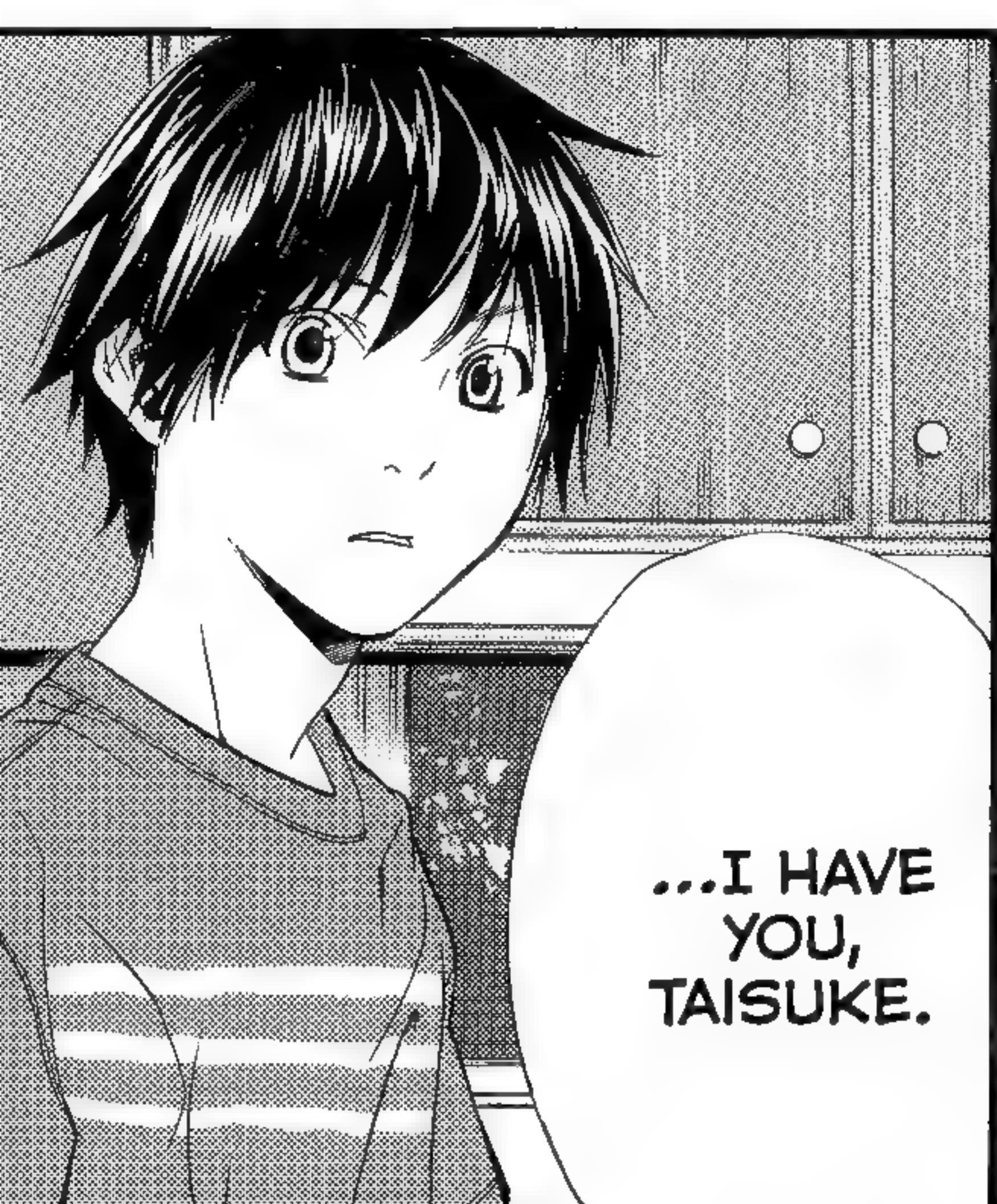
WE'LL GO
WITH THIS.







TO BE
HONEST,
MAMA'S
GETTING
ANXIOUS.



...I HAVE
YOU,
TAISUKE.



AND...

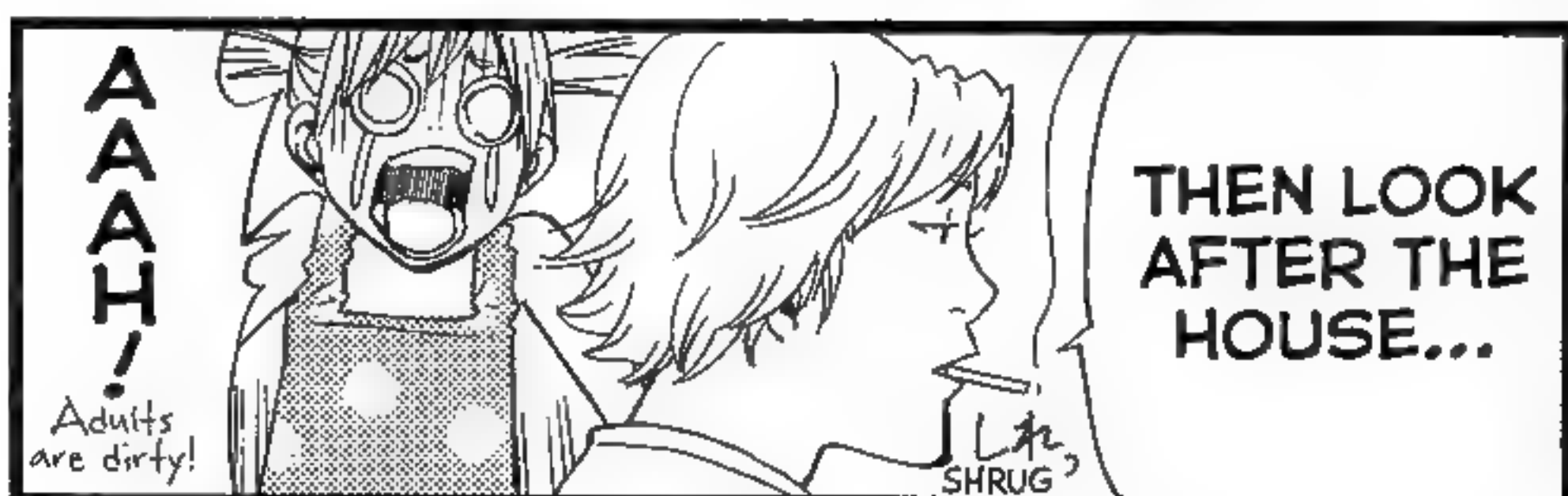
I HAVE
A FRAG-
MENT
OF THE
HEART
INSIDE
ME.

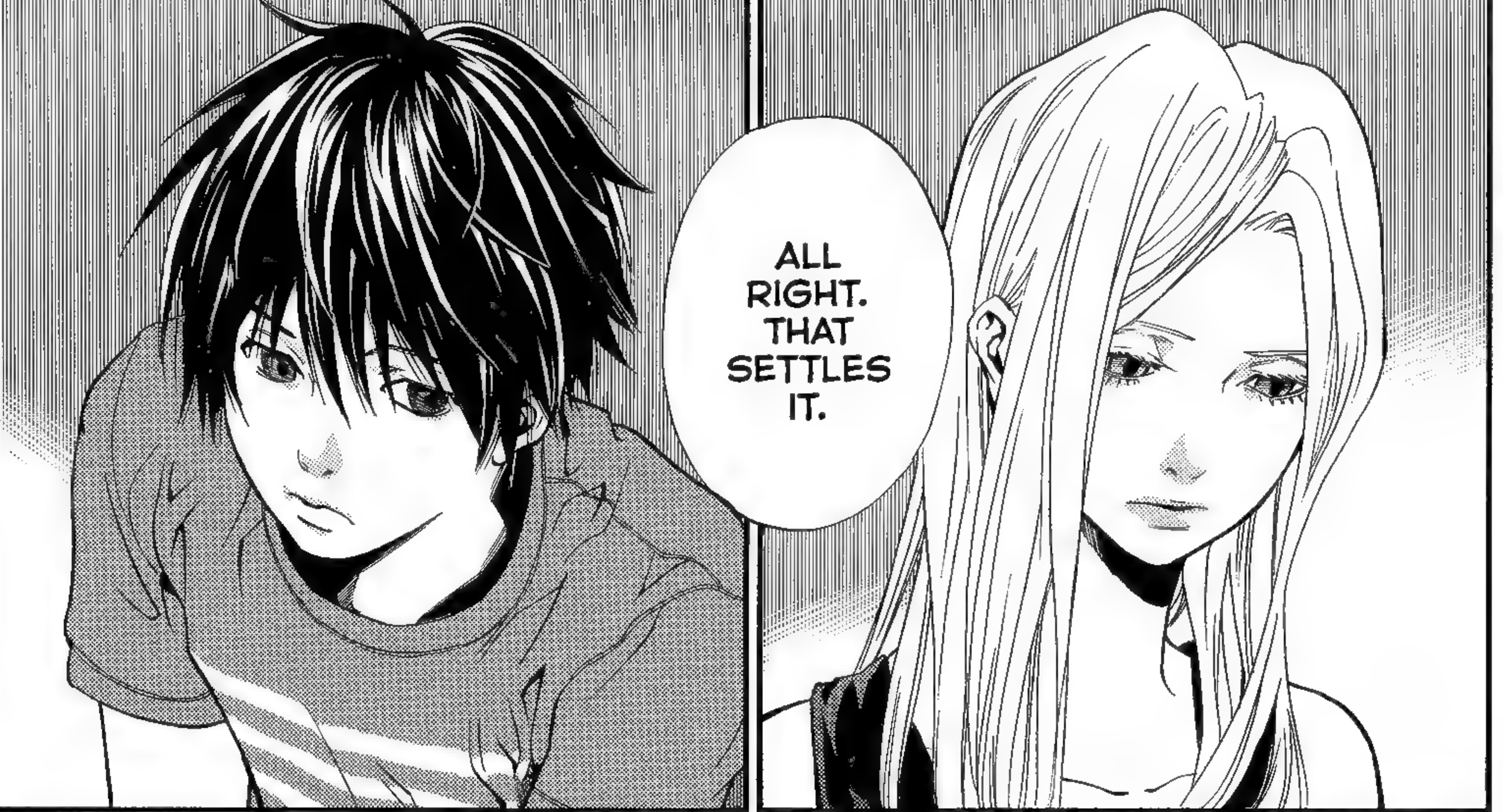


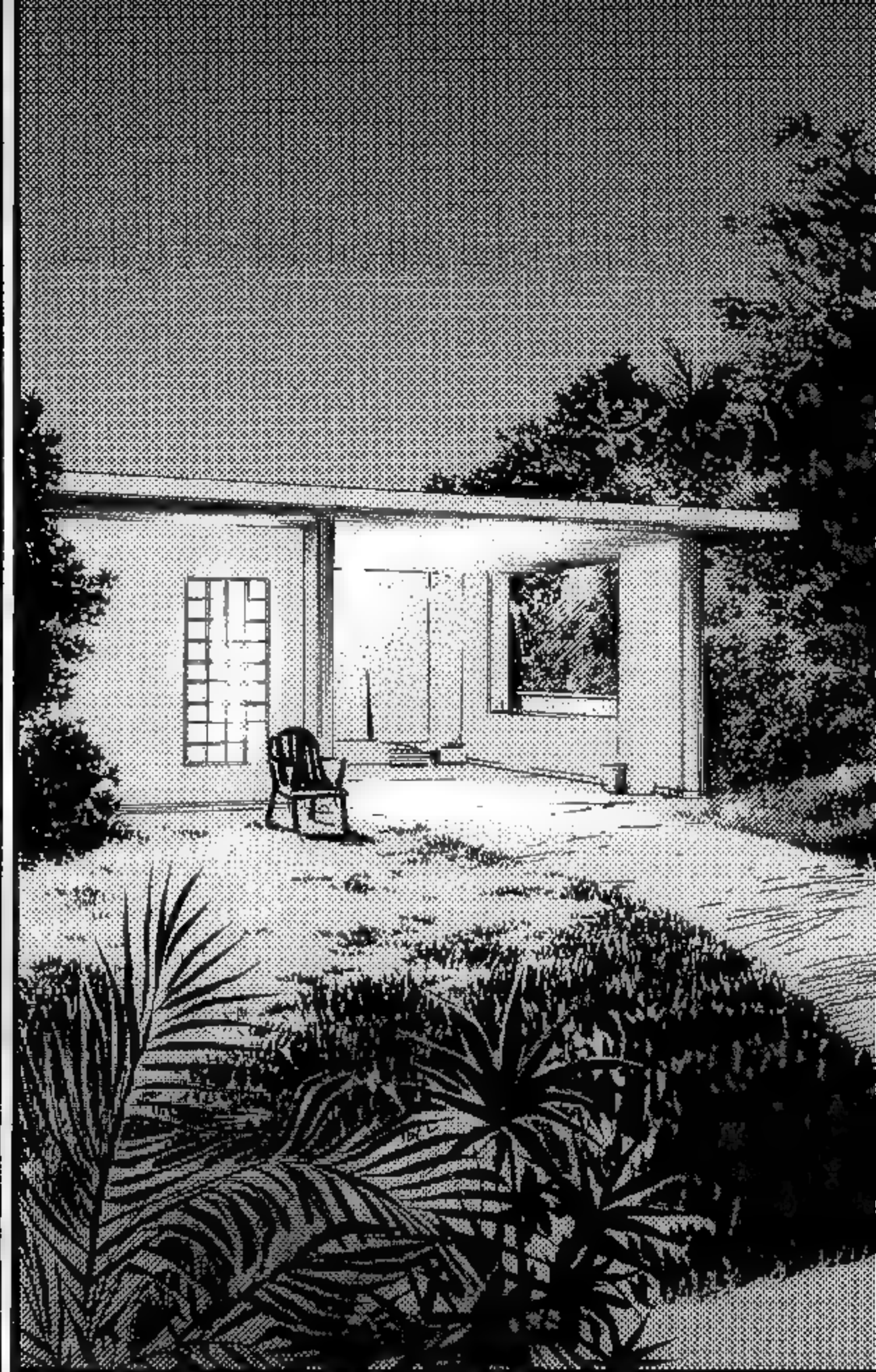
IT'S ALL
RIGHT.

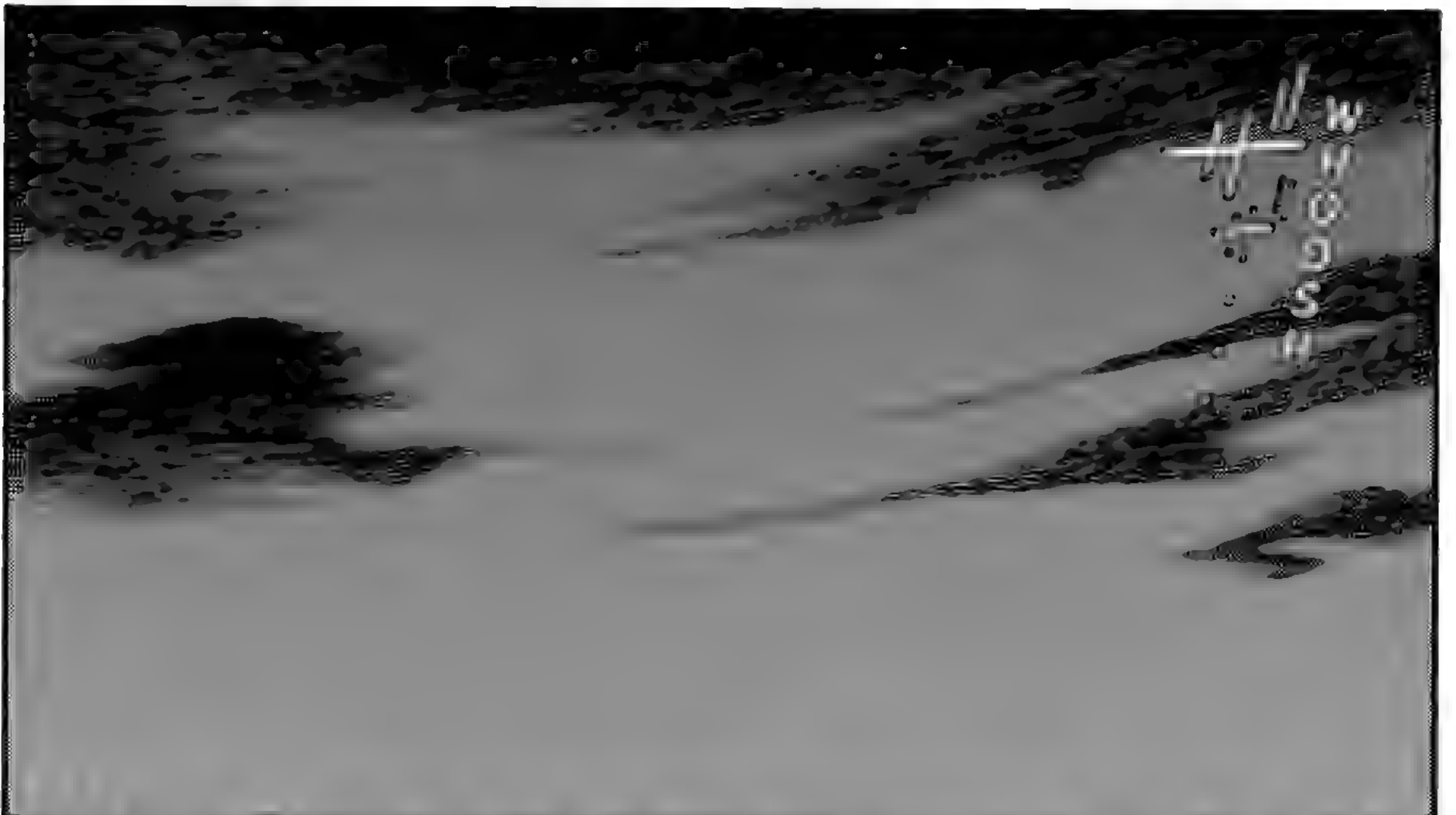


LET'S GIVE
IT A SHOT.









Rain Detects



THIS IS
GREAT,
AMAMIYA-
SAN! ♥

'Ah, but
this one's
good, too.

Ooh

this
is...



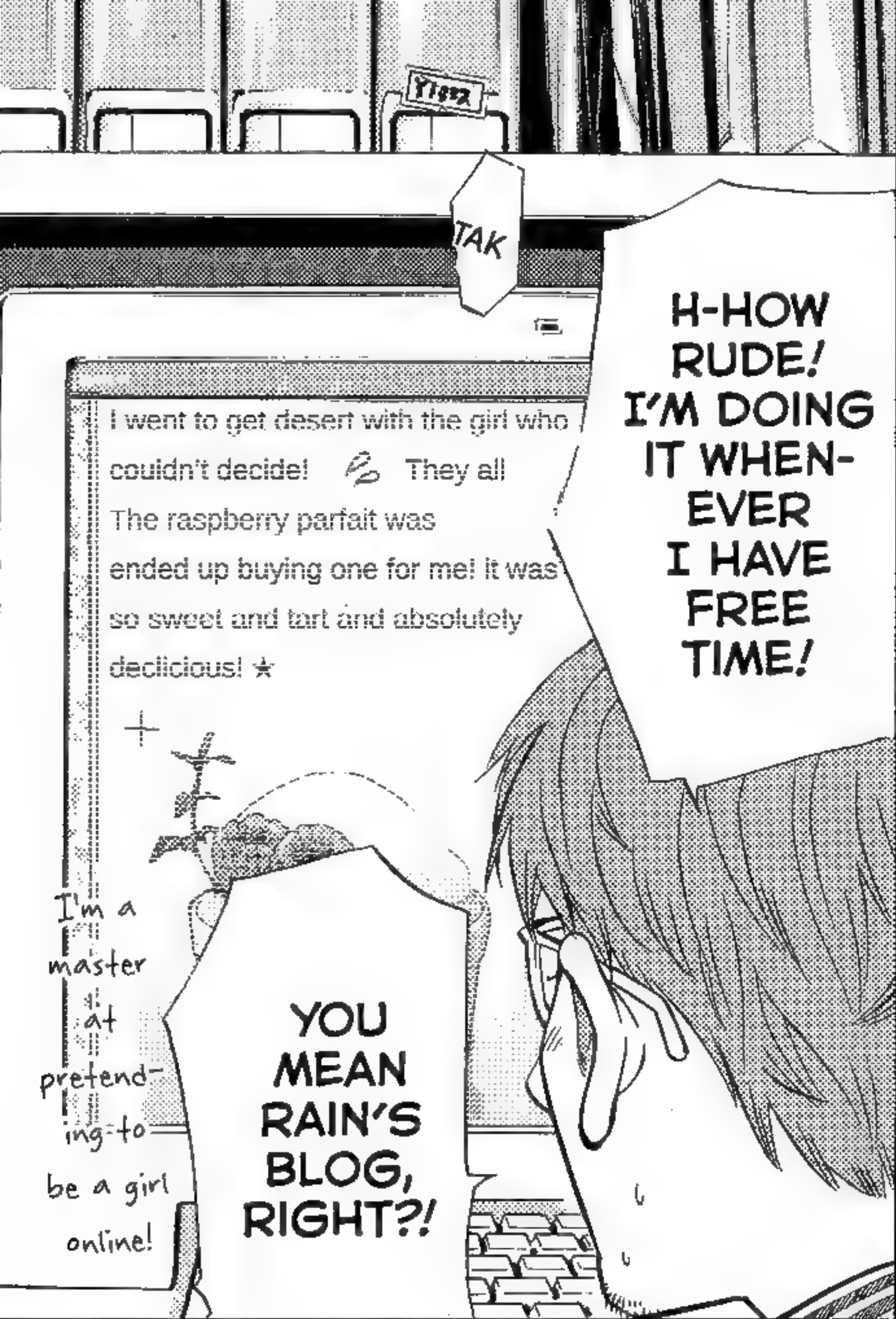
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THE PAGE
VIEWS KEEP
GOING UP
SLOWLY, BUT
STEADILY. ♥



TAK

I went to get desert with the girl who couldn't decide! ♪ They all The raspberry parfait was ended up buying one for me! It was so sweet and tart and absolutely delicious! ★

I'm a master at pretend-ing-to be a girl online!

YOU MEAN RAIN'S BLOG, RIGHT?!

H-HOW RUDE! I'M DOING IT WHEN-EVER I HAVE FREE TIME!



YOU'RE JUST LOOKING AT NAMI-CHAN'S PHOTOS, AREN'T YOU?!

DO YOUR JOB!

ODA-CHAN!



...THERE ARE STILL A FEW AMONG THEM WHO ACTUALLY READ THE ARTICLES ABOUT THE MASS SUICIDES.

I MEAN, 90% OF PEOPLE ARE GOING FOR NAMI-CHAN,

BUT...



SO, WE'RE NOT ENTIRELY ALONE.

SOME EVEN SEND QUESTIONS OR DATA REGARDING THE INCIDENT.



...IF SOMEONE WOULD MAKE A DATABASE OUT OF ALL OF THIS.

and particularly sinful people were given special... feel. As a child, i remember hearing the voice of god and God told me to lead the people and in that warm light i been carved into my mind, i believe i was chosen to be a shepherd which leads the lost sheep and the only person capable of such a task.

New Message

To:

Subject: Thank you very much for

BUT AT THIS RATE, I'D BE REALLY THANKFUL...

I am an administrator for Rain De... you very much
your valuable opinion on this subject... support of far
site such as yourself, we are inching ever closer to the truth behind
mystery. Rain and all of us here at the agency will continue to inv
and shed light on this incident and we hope you will continue to s
from now on, as well.



IN ANY CASE, WE HAVE ANZU-CHAN TO THANK FOR ALL OF IT!

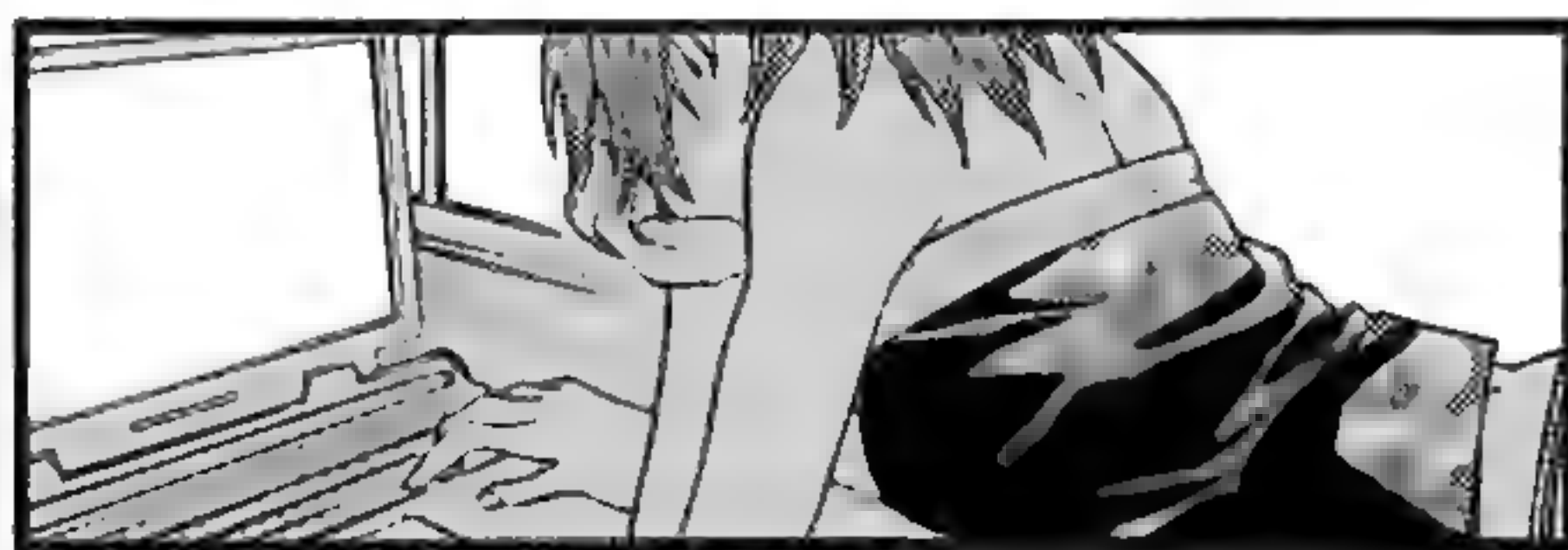


BUT TO BE HONEST...

...I WISH I COULD HAVE GONE WITH KANOU-KUN AND THE OTHERS.

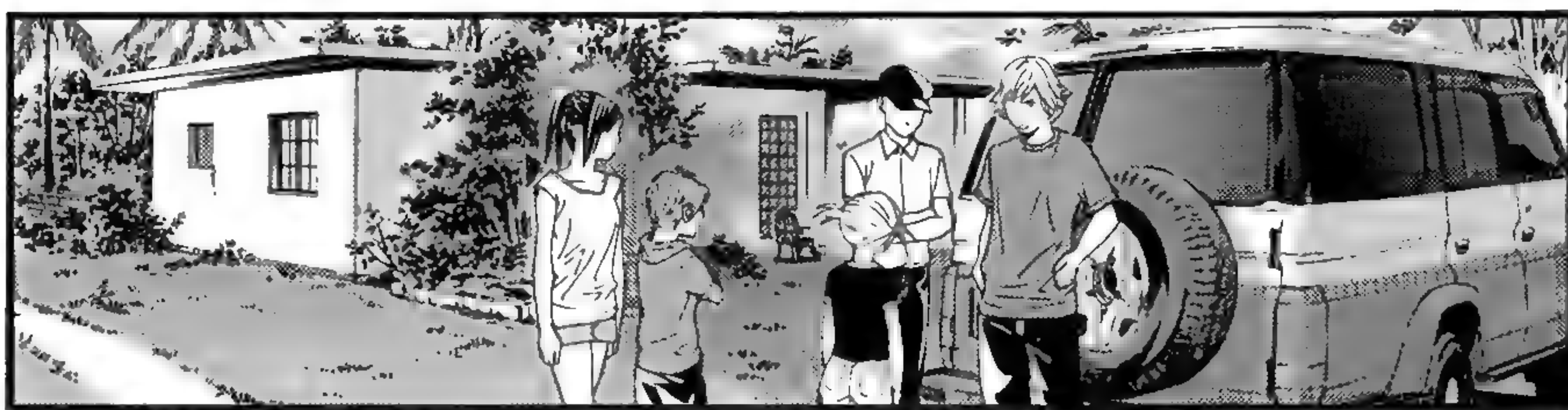


TAK
TAK



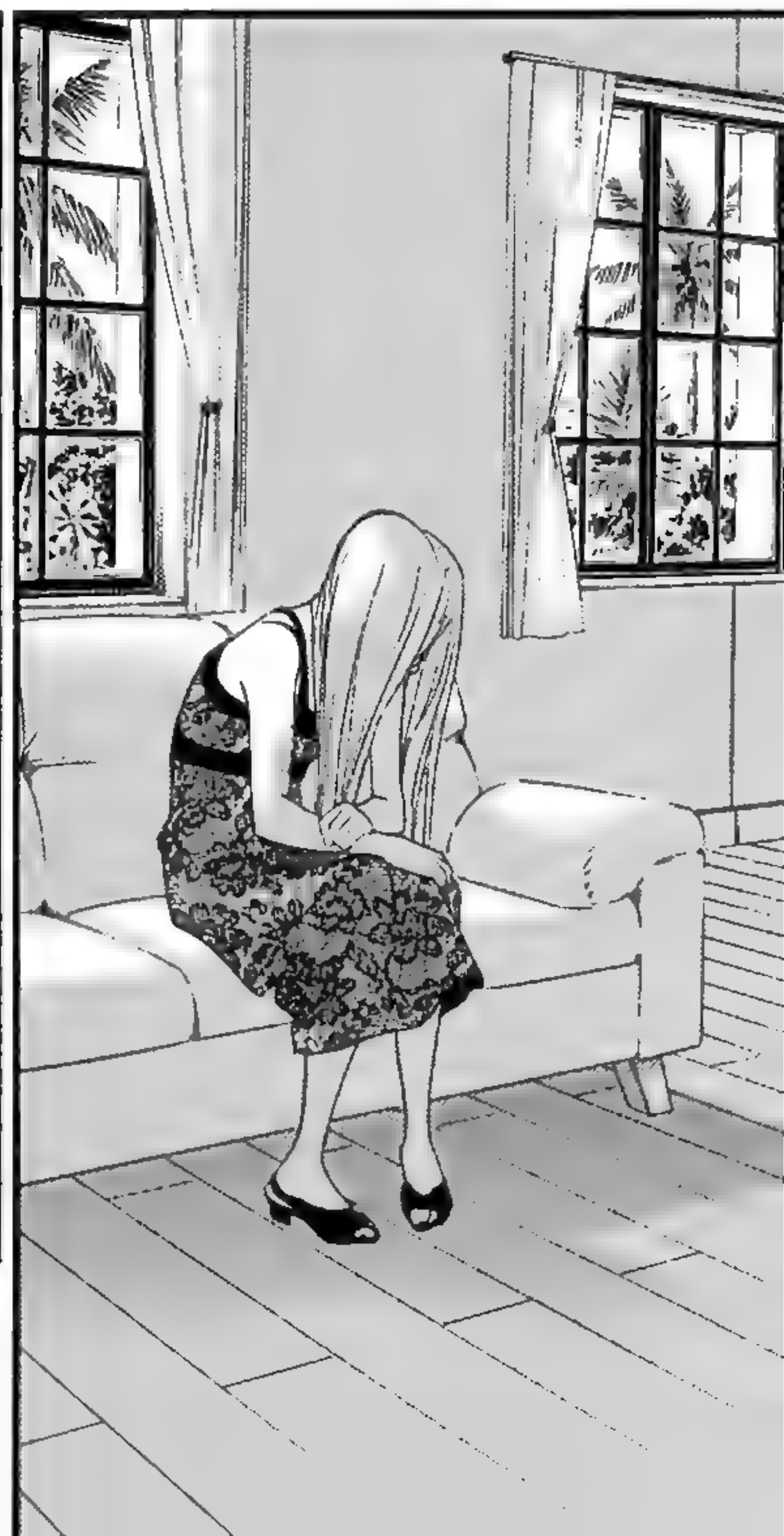


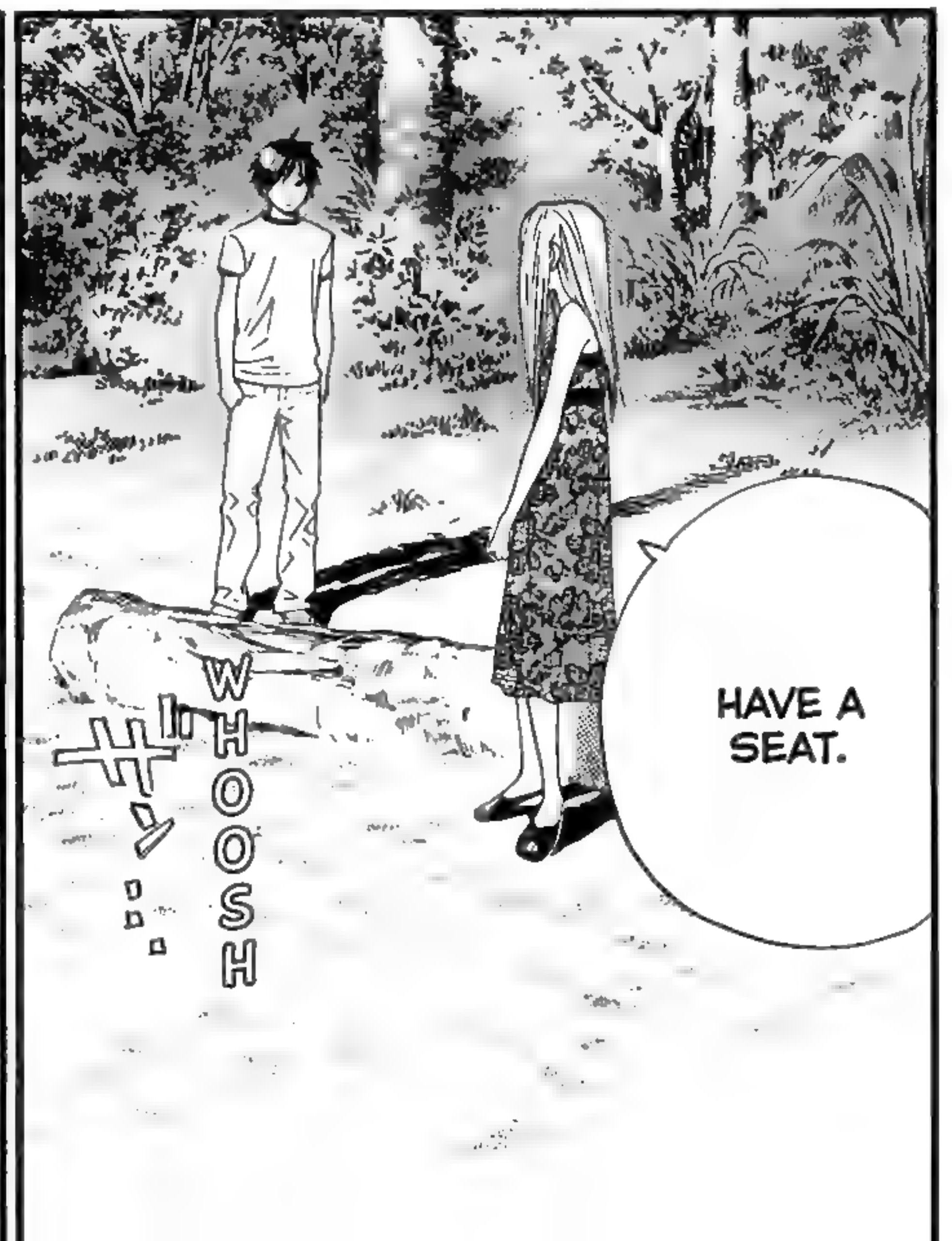
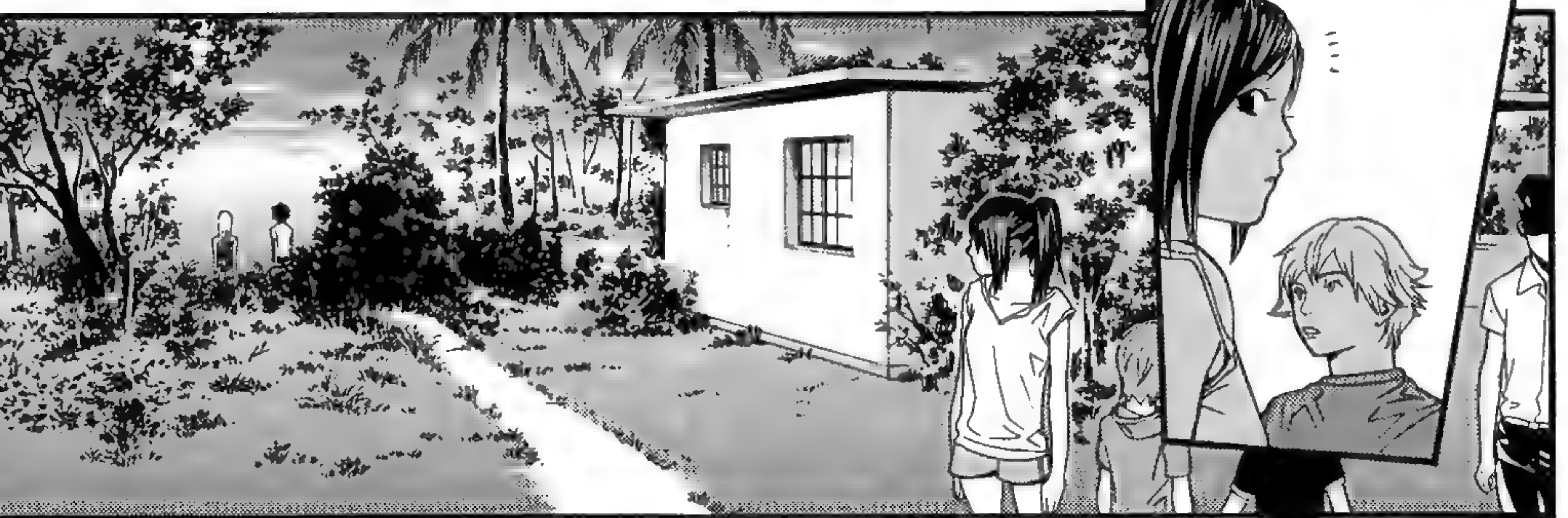
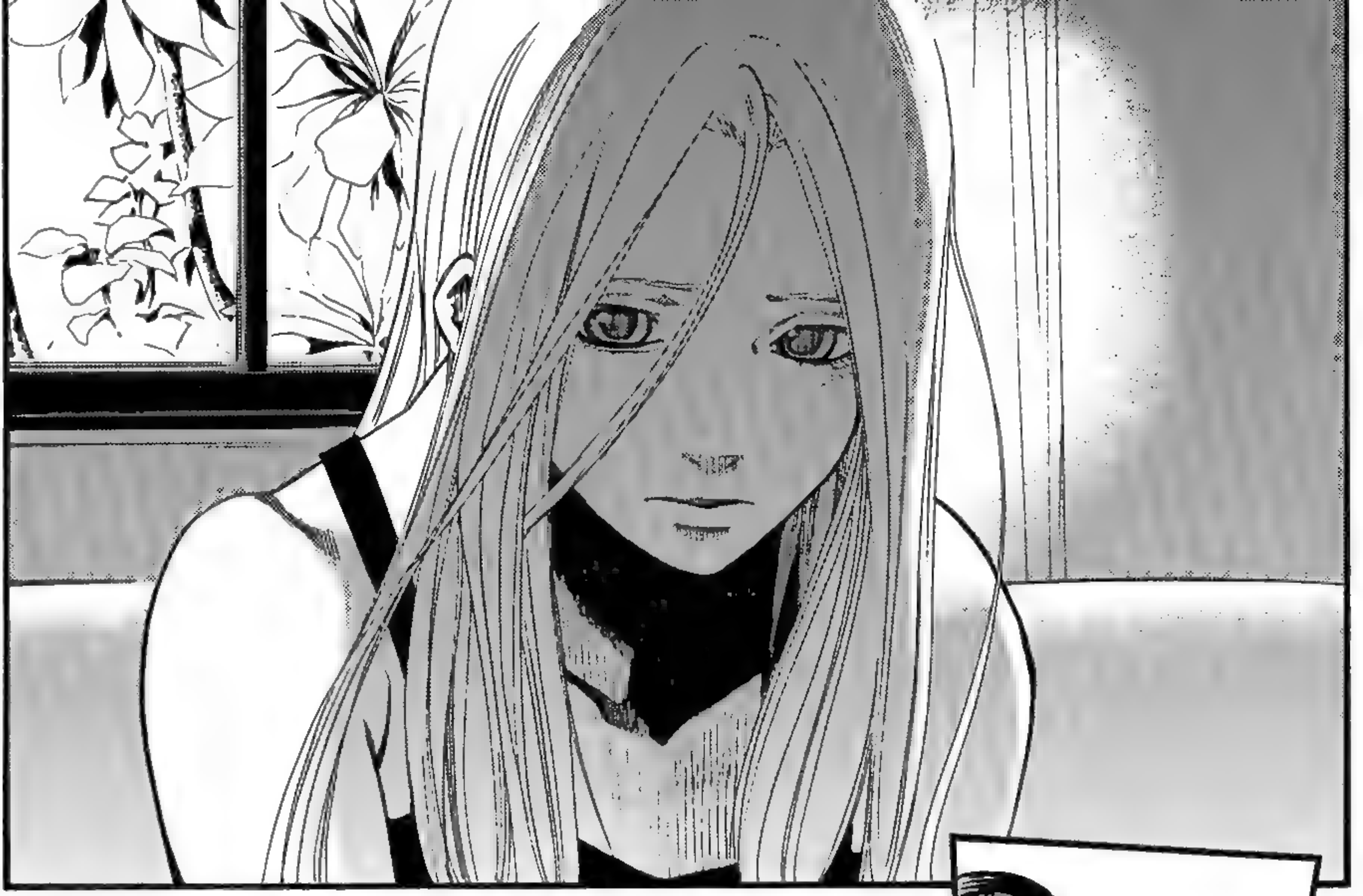
...SHOULD BE
MAKING THEIR
MOVE SOON.



THERE'S
SOMETHING
YOU WANT
TO TELL ME,
RIGHT?

YUKIE-
SAN?







AND AT
TIMES I WAS
IMPATIENT.

I'VE BEEN
WAITING FOR
AN OPPOR-
TUNITY TO
DO SO ALL
THIS TIME.



AS I
MENTIONED
BEFORE,

MY
OBJECTIVE
IS TO SEAL
ACRO'S
HEART.



I'M SO
ANXIOUS, SO
DESPERATE
TO GET TO
THE HEART...

BEFORE
THE MILITARY
RECOVERS IT
OR HIROSE
AWAKENS!



THE
GHOST...



BUT...

THAT'S NOT
ALL I'M
AFRAID OF.



IF MITAMA
COMES HERE
NOW,

EVERYTHING
WILL BE
RUINED...




WE CAN'T
WIN AGAINST
MITAMA!




...IS TO
SEAL THE
HEART
BEFORE
THE GHOST
GETS ITS
HANDS ON
IT.

OUR ONLY
HOPE...




YOU MEET
THE SAME
QUALIFICA-
TIONS AS
HIROSE TO
BECOME A
VESSEL.



...TO BECOME
THE VESSEL
TO HOST THE
HEART, TAI-
SUKE.

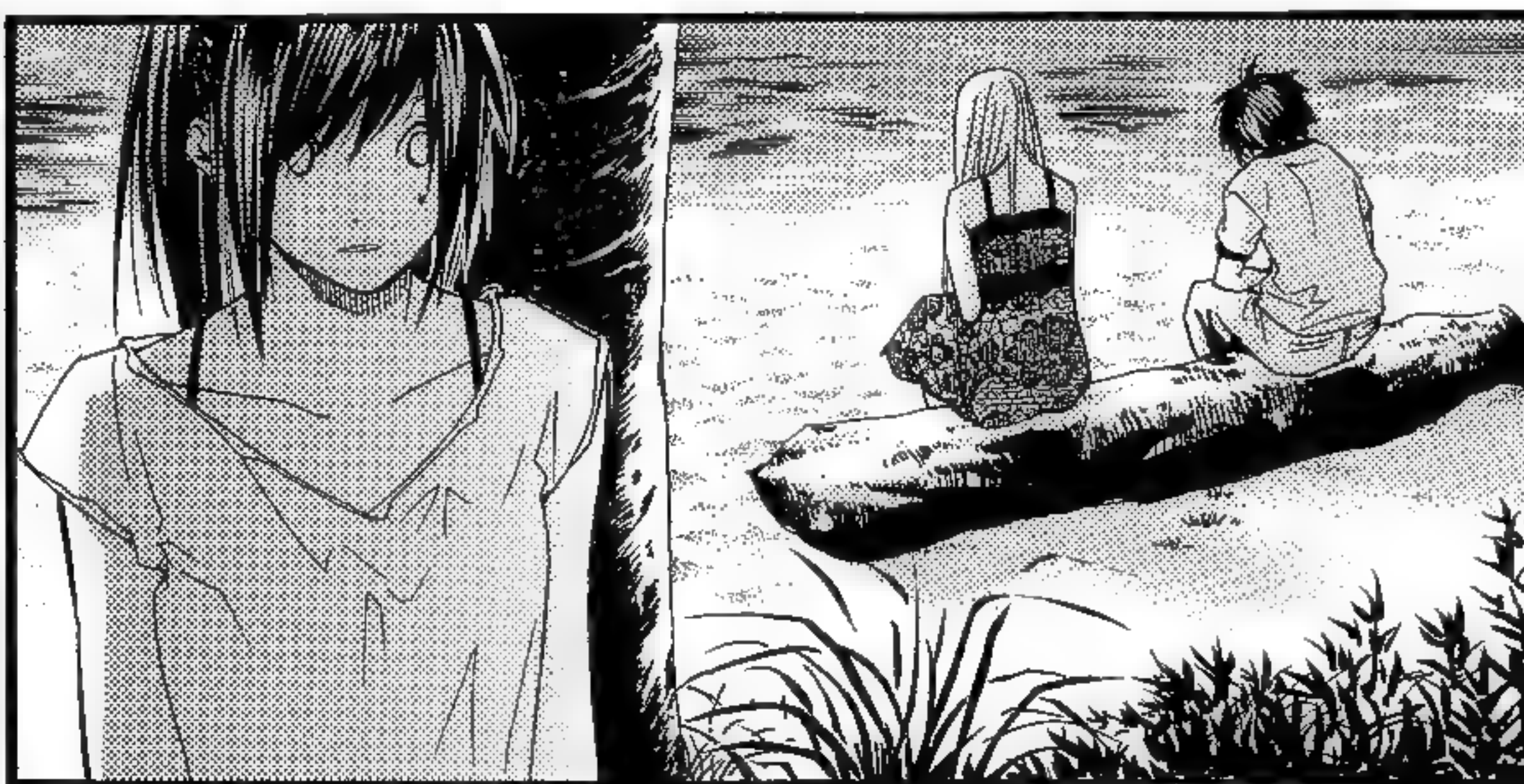
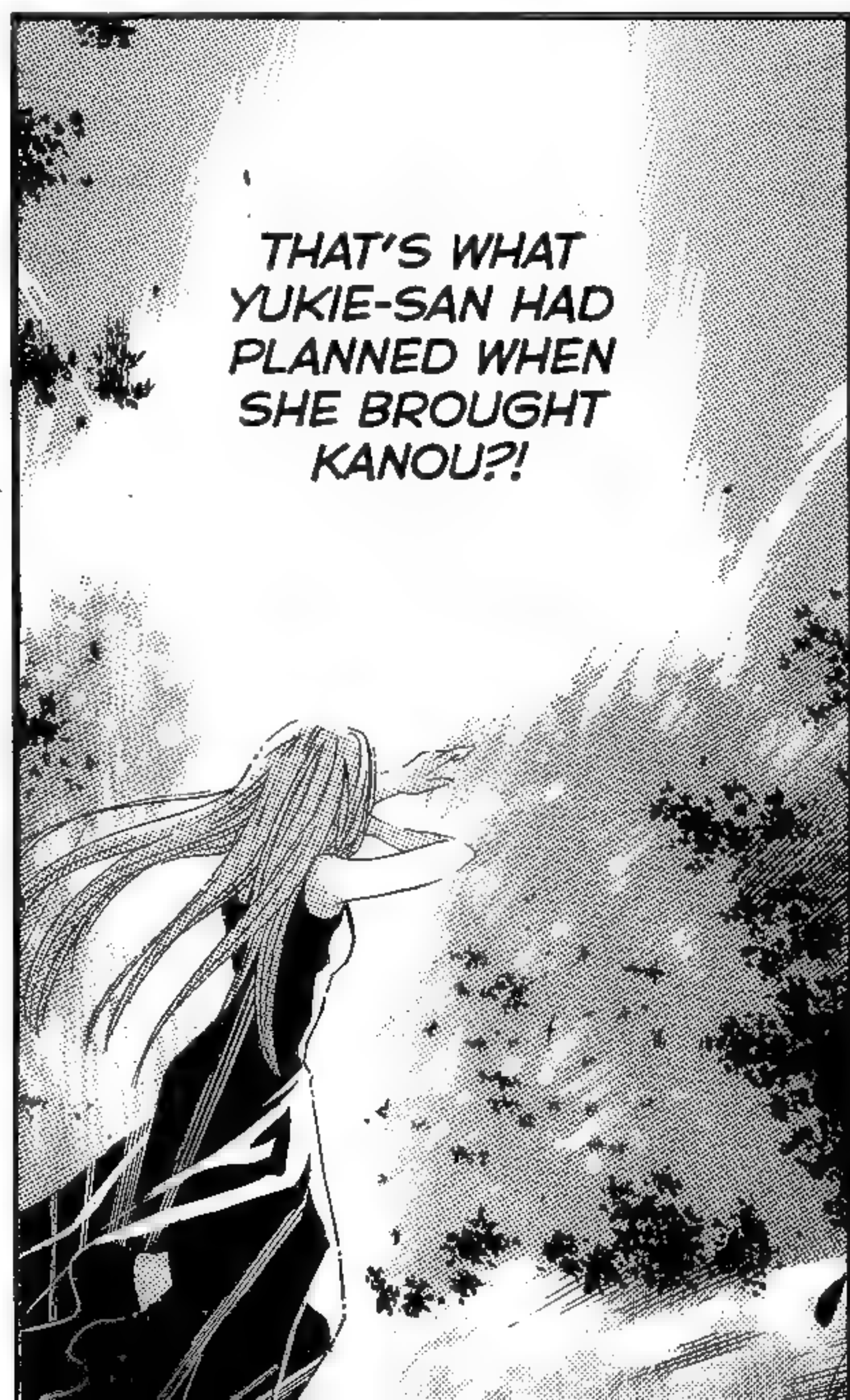
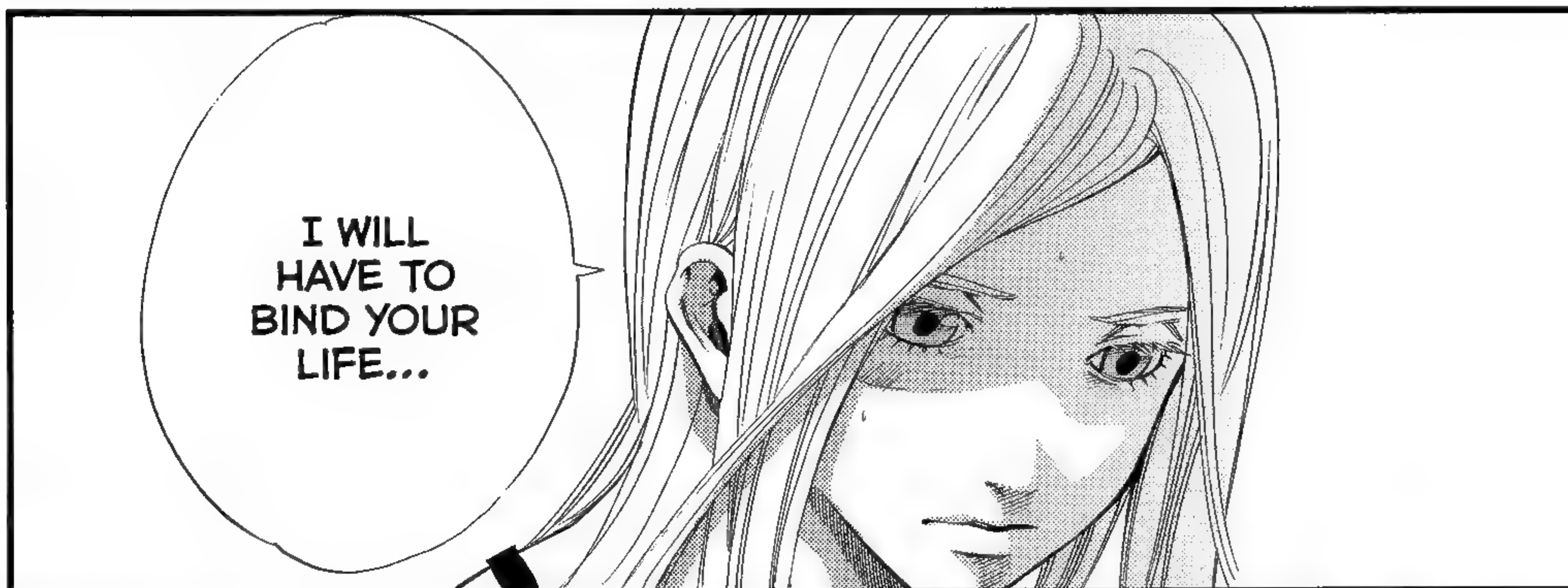
...I
NEED
YOU...

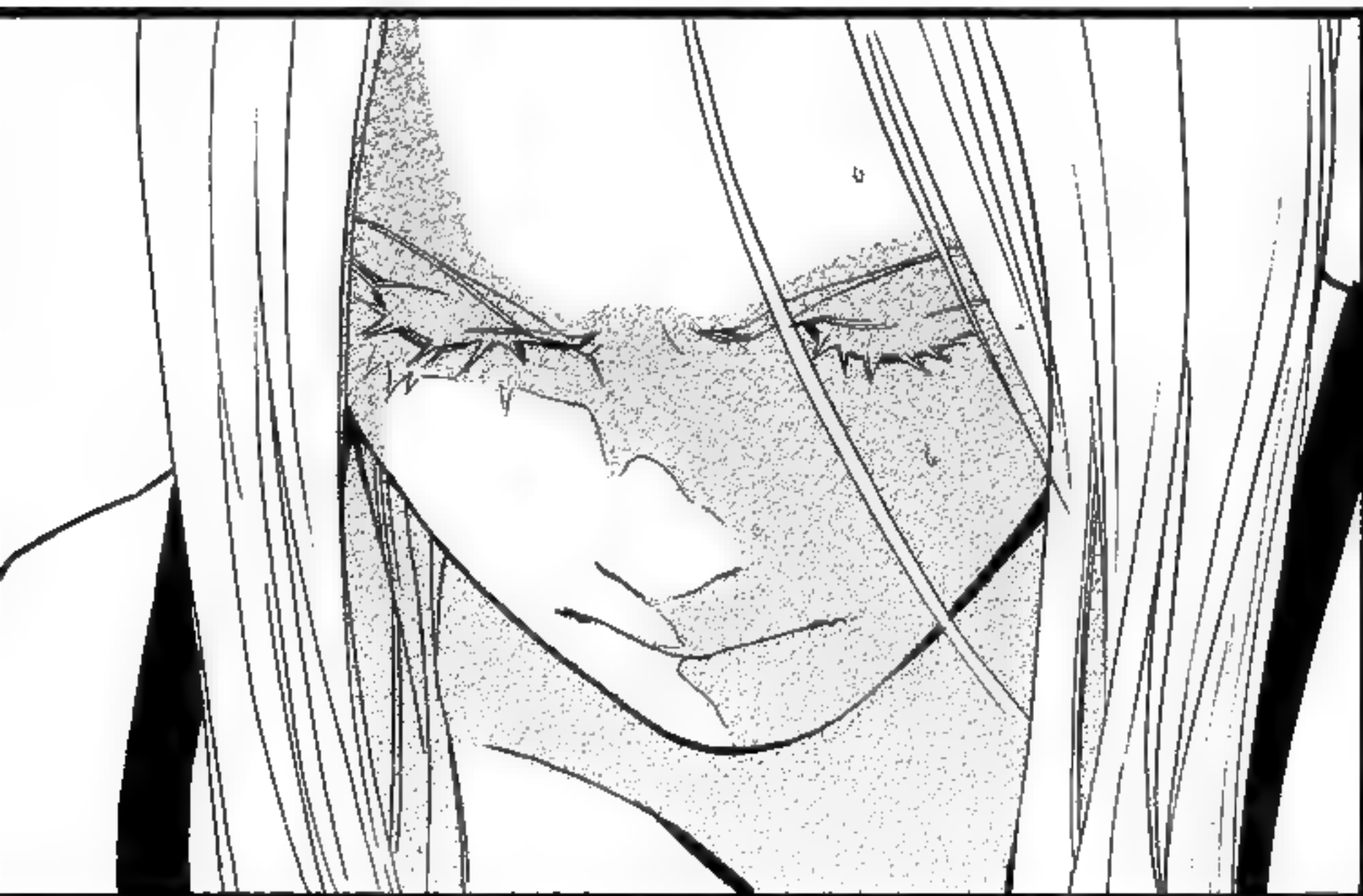


AND IN
ORDER TO
DO THAT...

I WILL
USE THE
REMAINDER
OF MY
LIFE...

TO PUT
YOU TO
SLEEP.







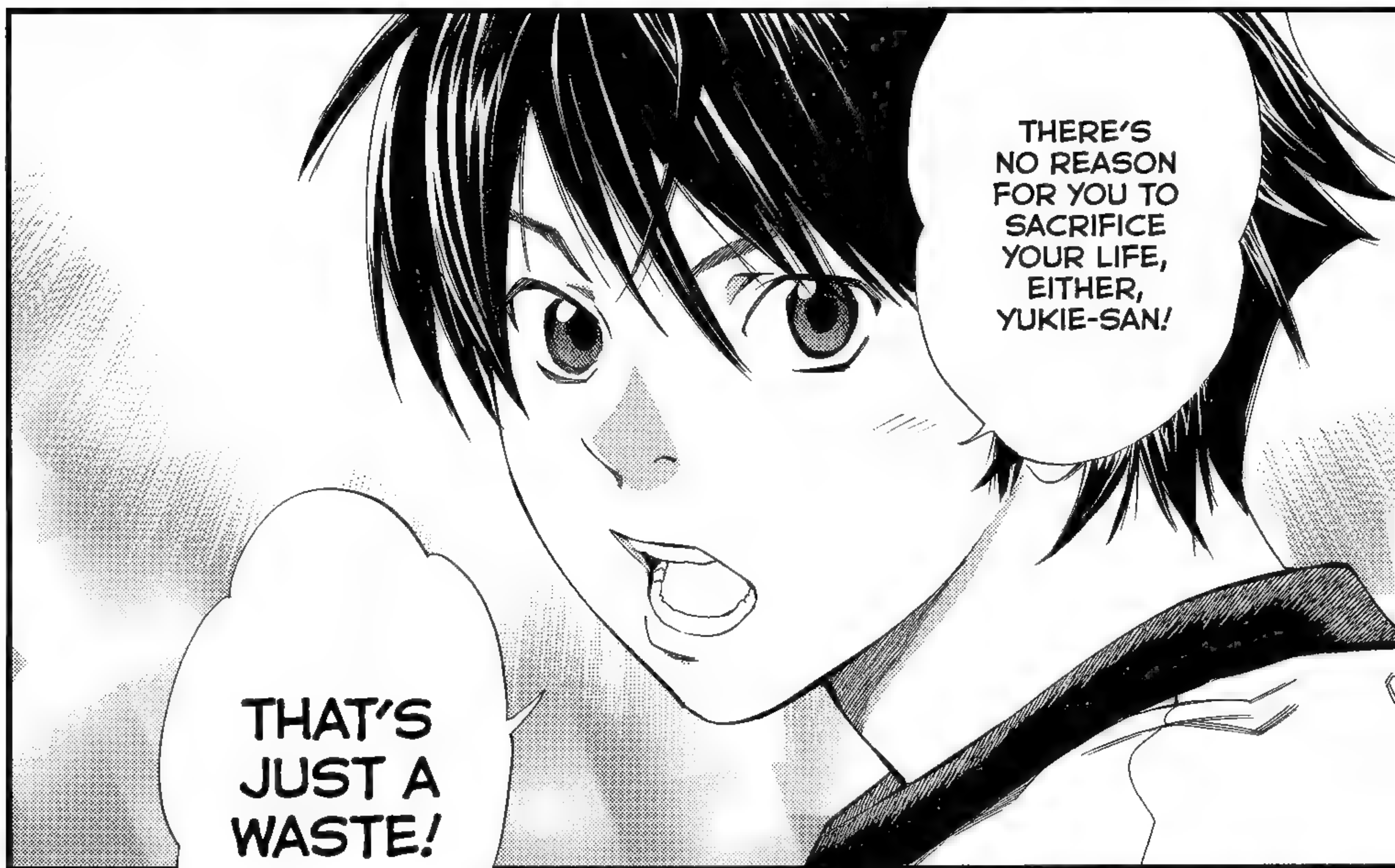
...I WON'T
GO ON A
RAMPAGE.

EVEN IF
I RE-
CEIVE THE
HEART...



トキ
TWITCH

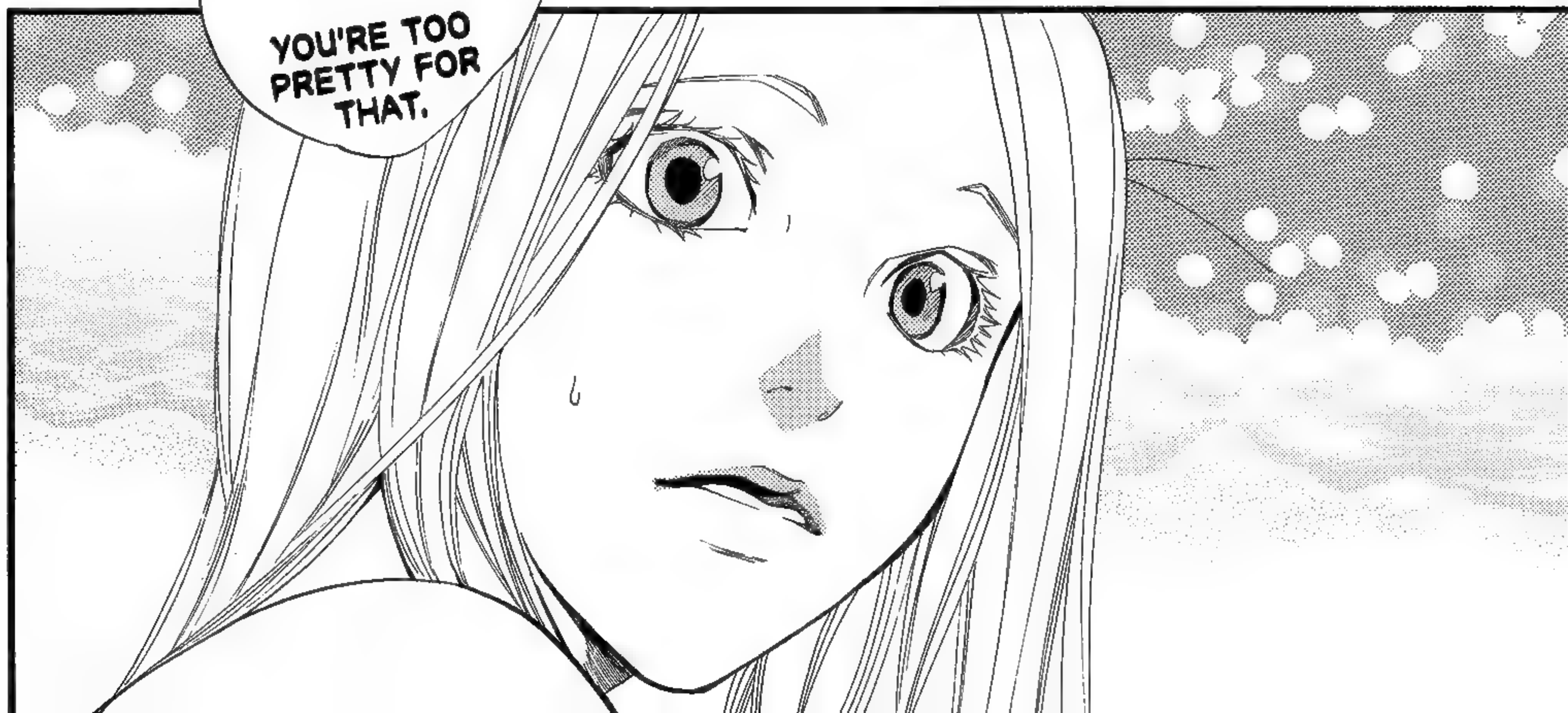
DON'T
WORRY.



THERE'S
NO REASON
FOR YOU TO
SACRIFICE
YOUR LIFE,
EITHER,
YUKIE-SAN!

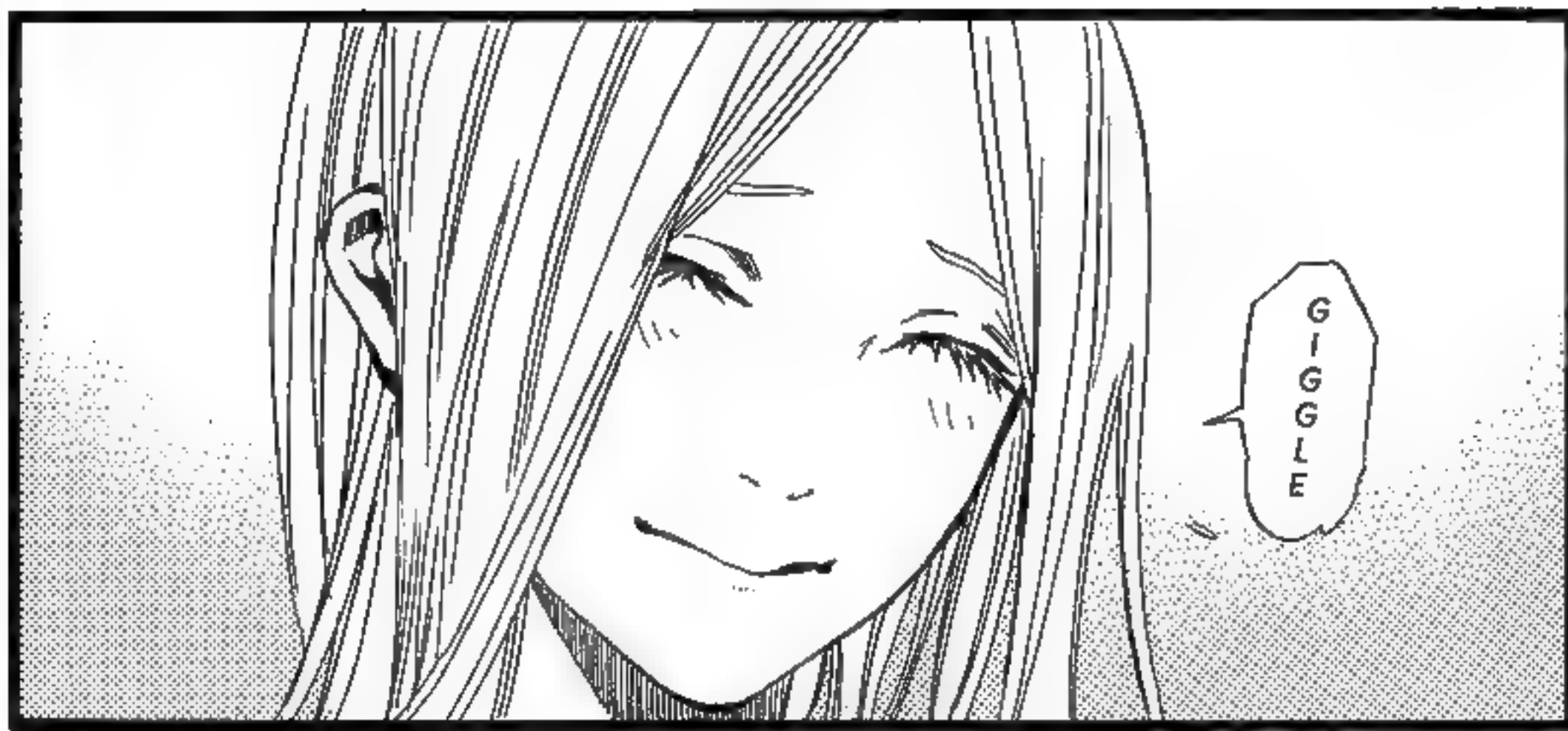
THAT'S
JUST A
WASTE!

YOU'RE TOO
PRETTY FOR
THAT.

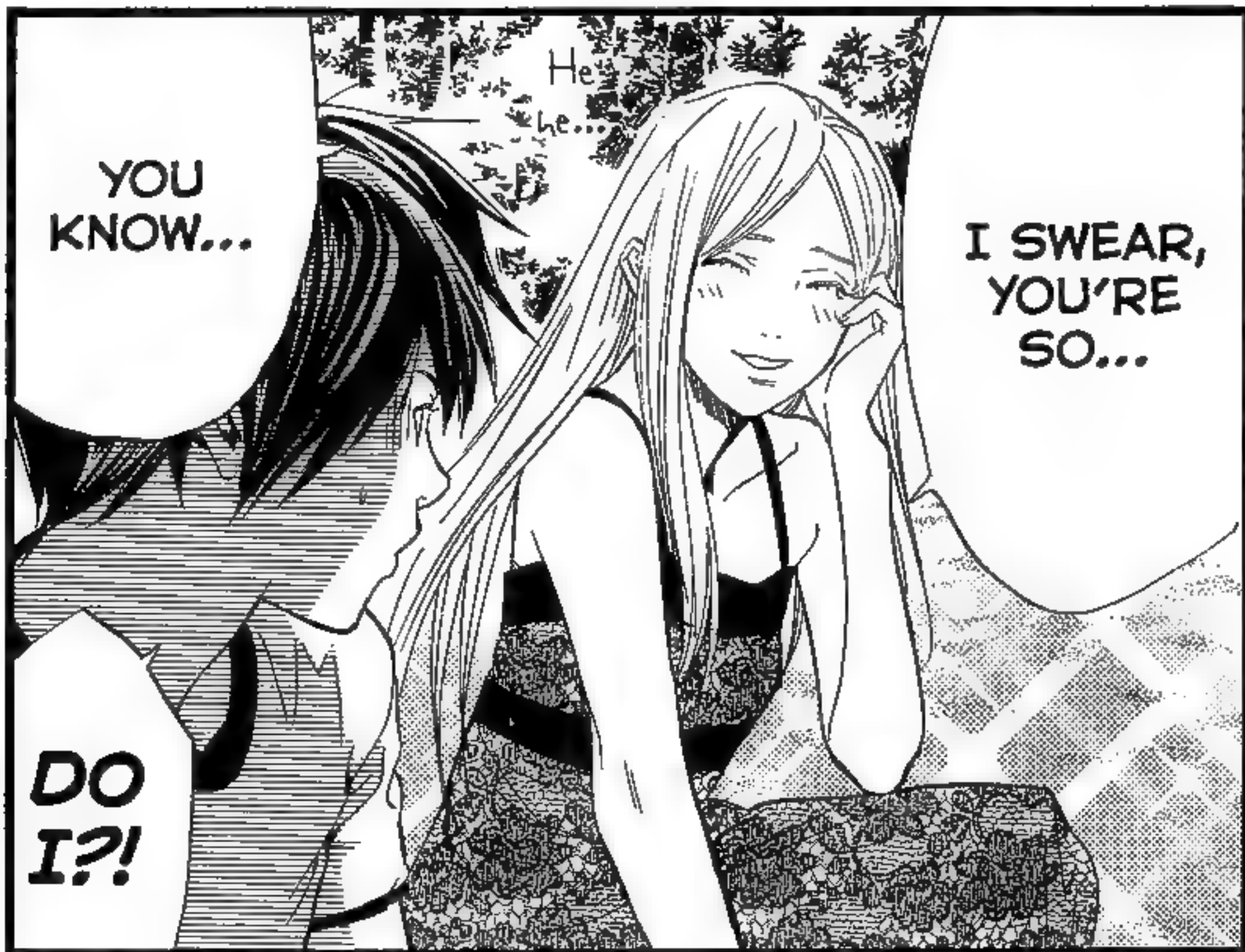




NO
WORRIES
THERE,
EITHER.



GIGGLE



YOU
KNOW...

I SWEAR,
YOU'RE
SO...

DO
I?!

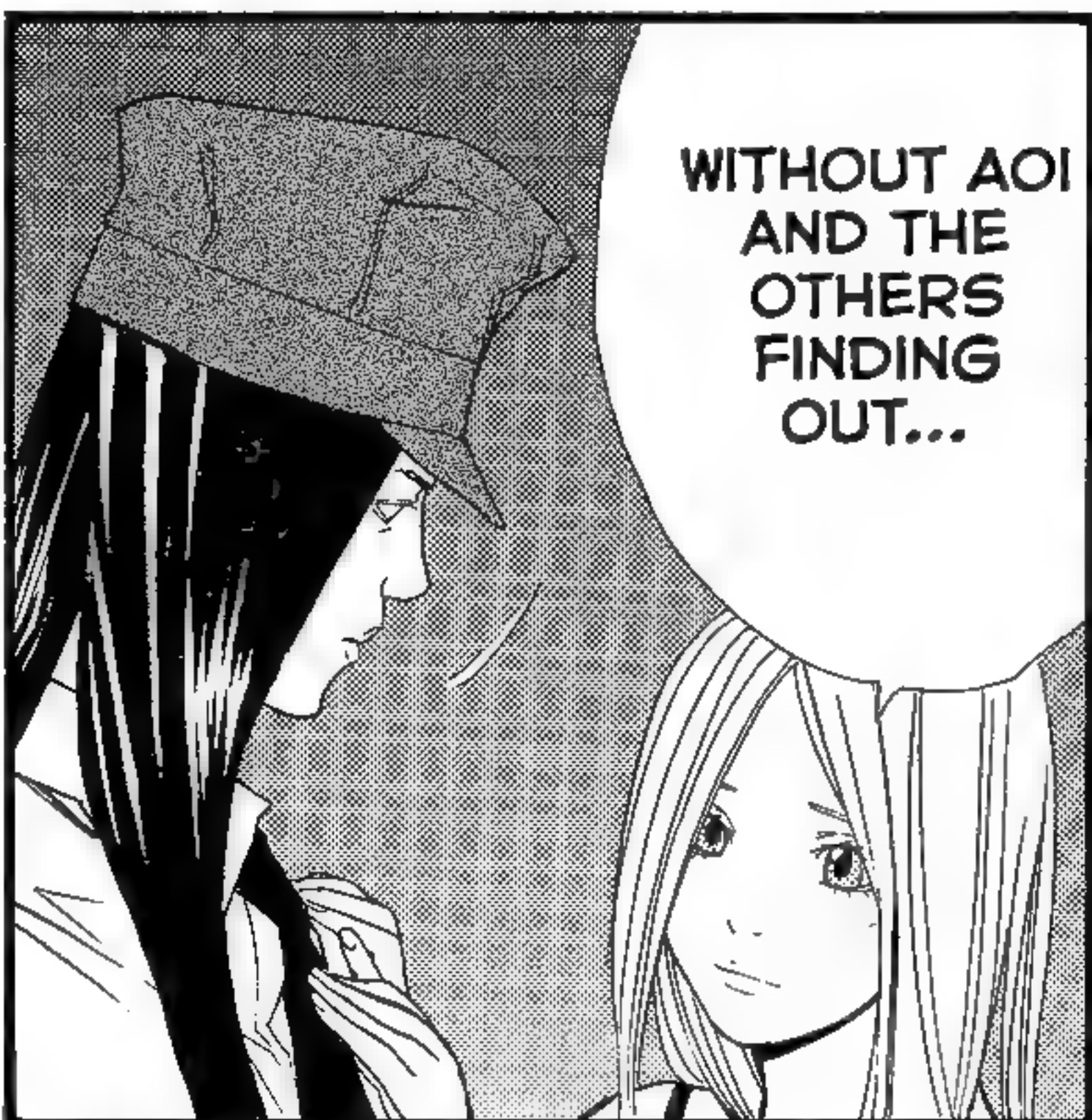


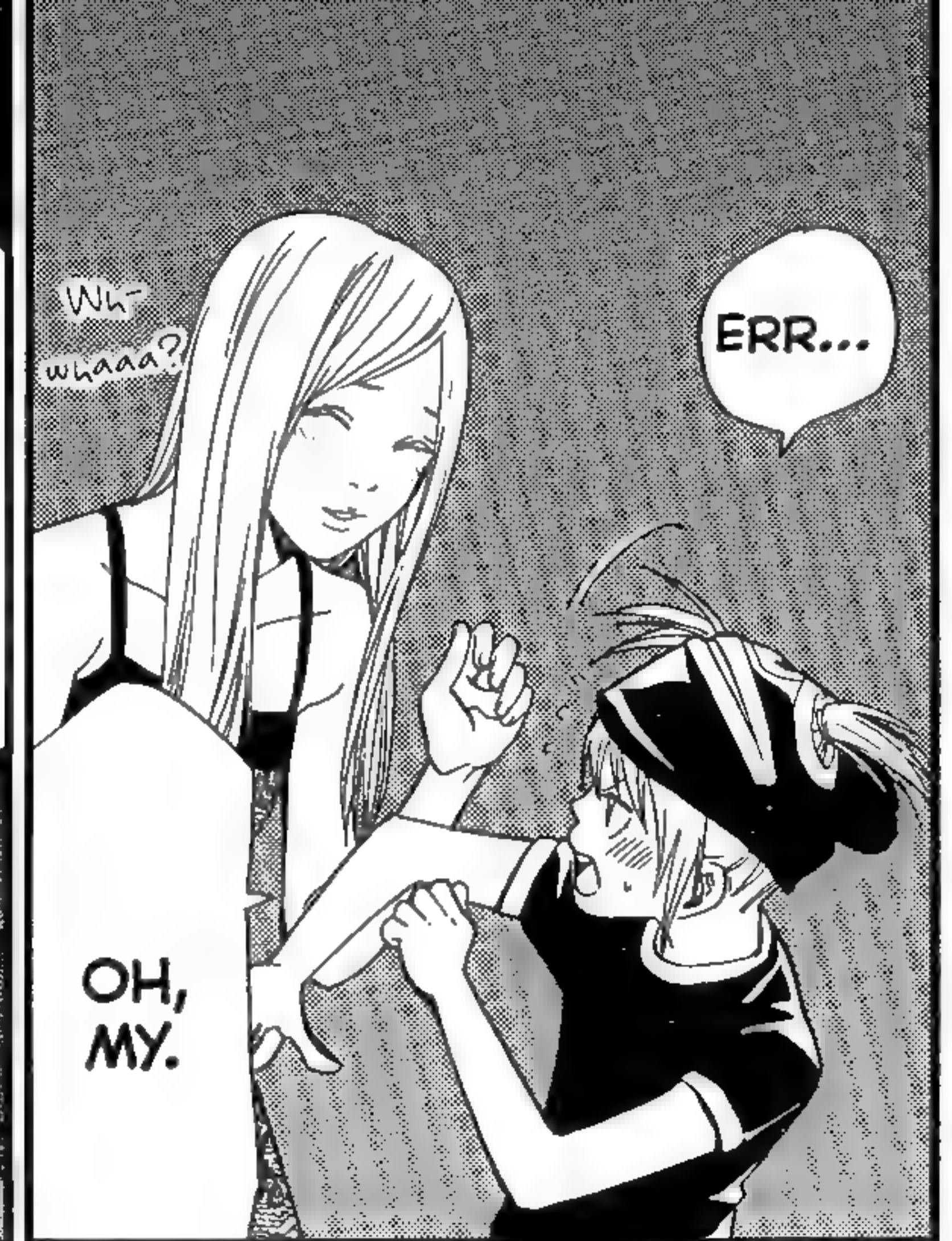
TRUE...
THERE'S
NO GUAR-
ANTEE MY
PLAN WILL
SUCCEED,
ANYWAY.

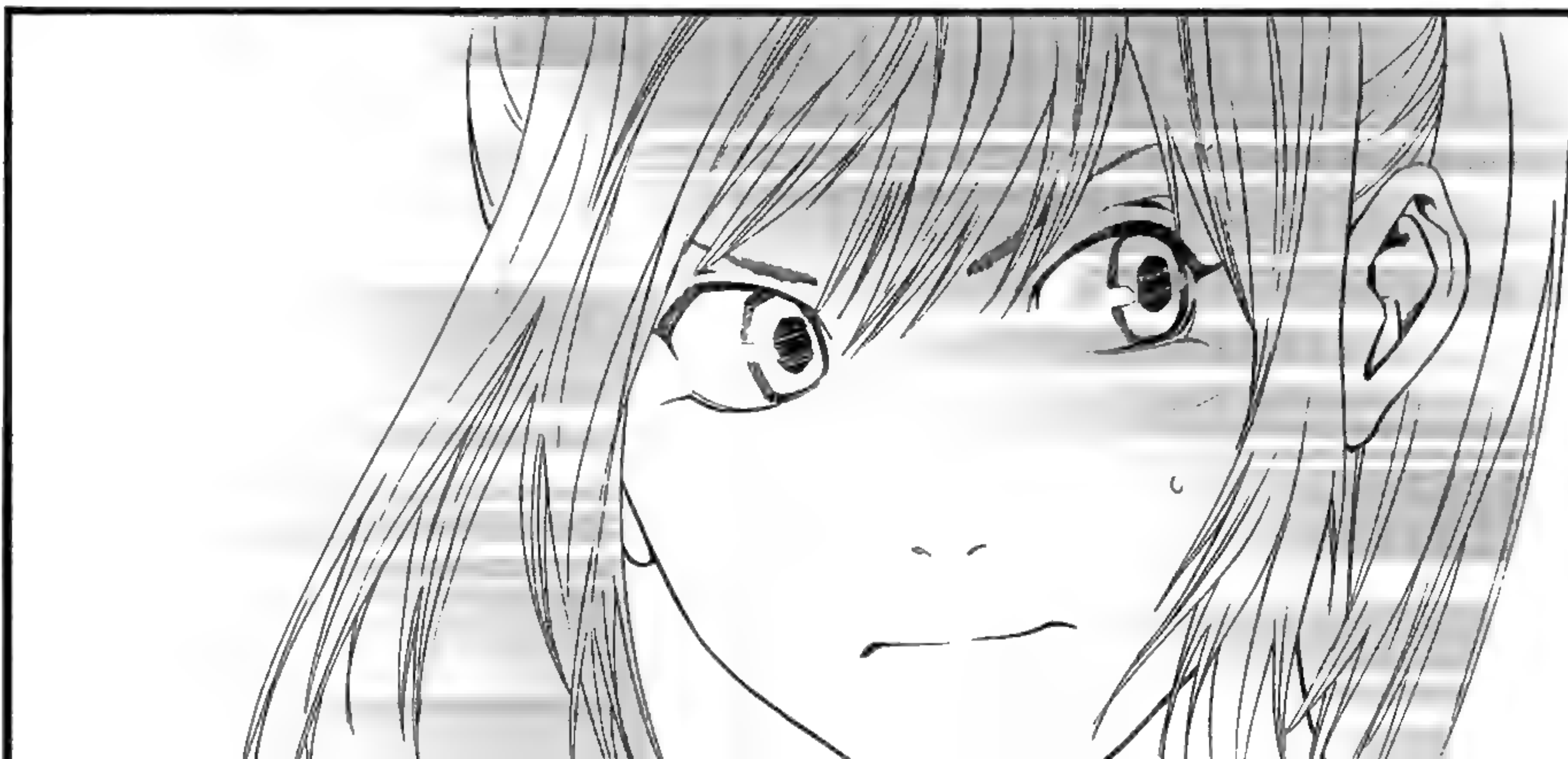
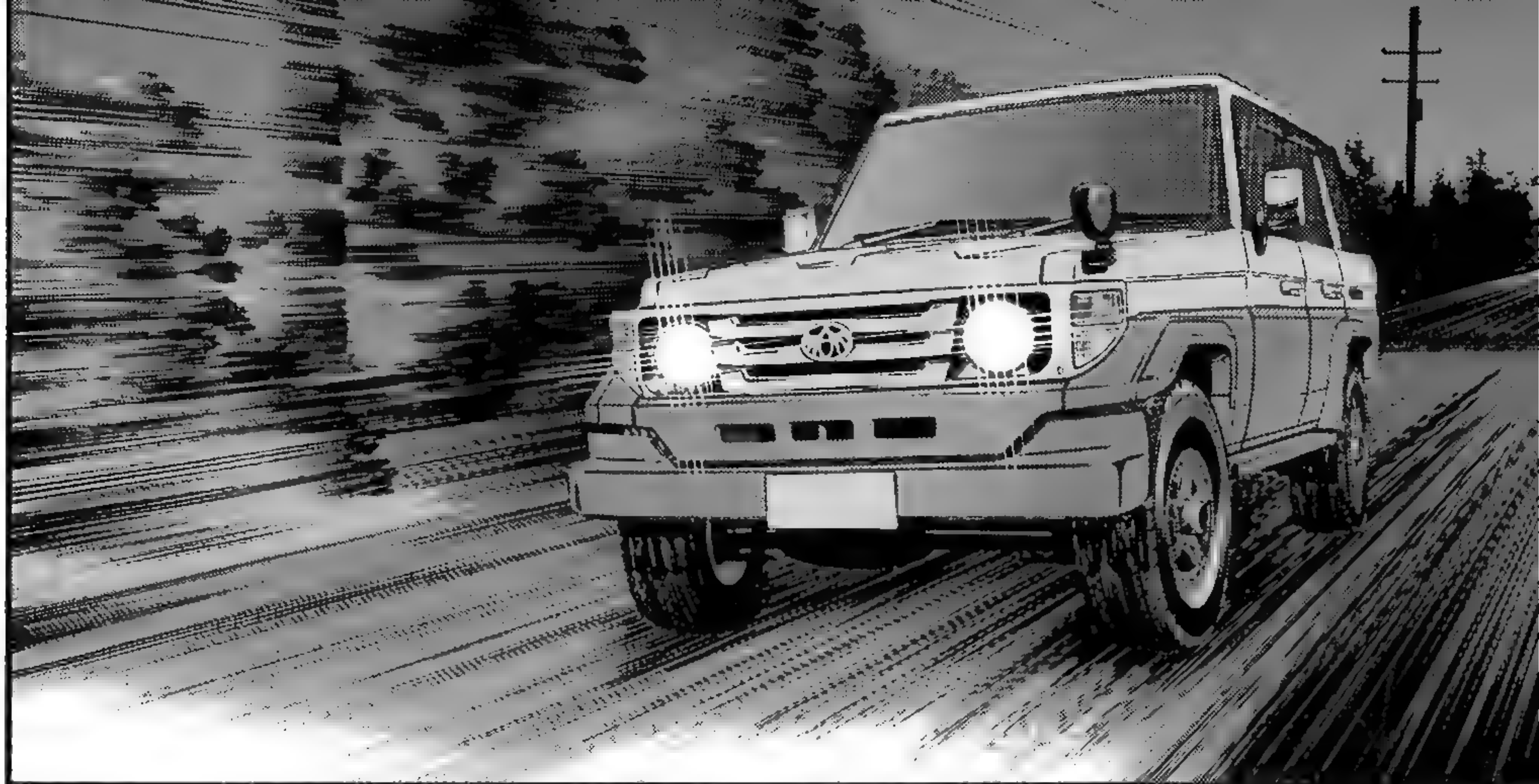
AND HIROSE
MAY REVIVE
BEFORE WE
EVEN CARRY
IT OUT.



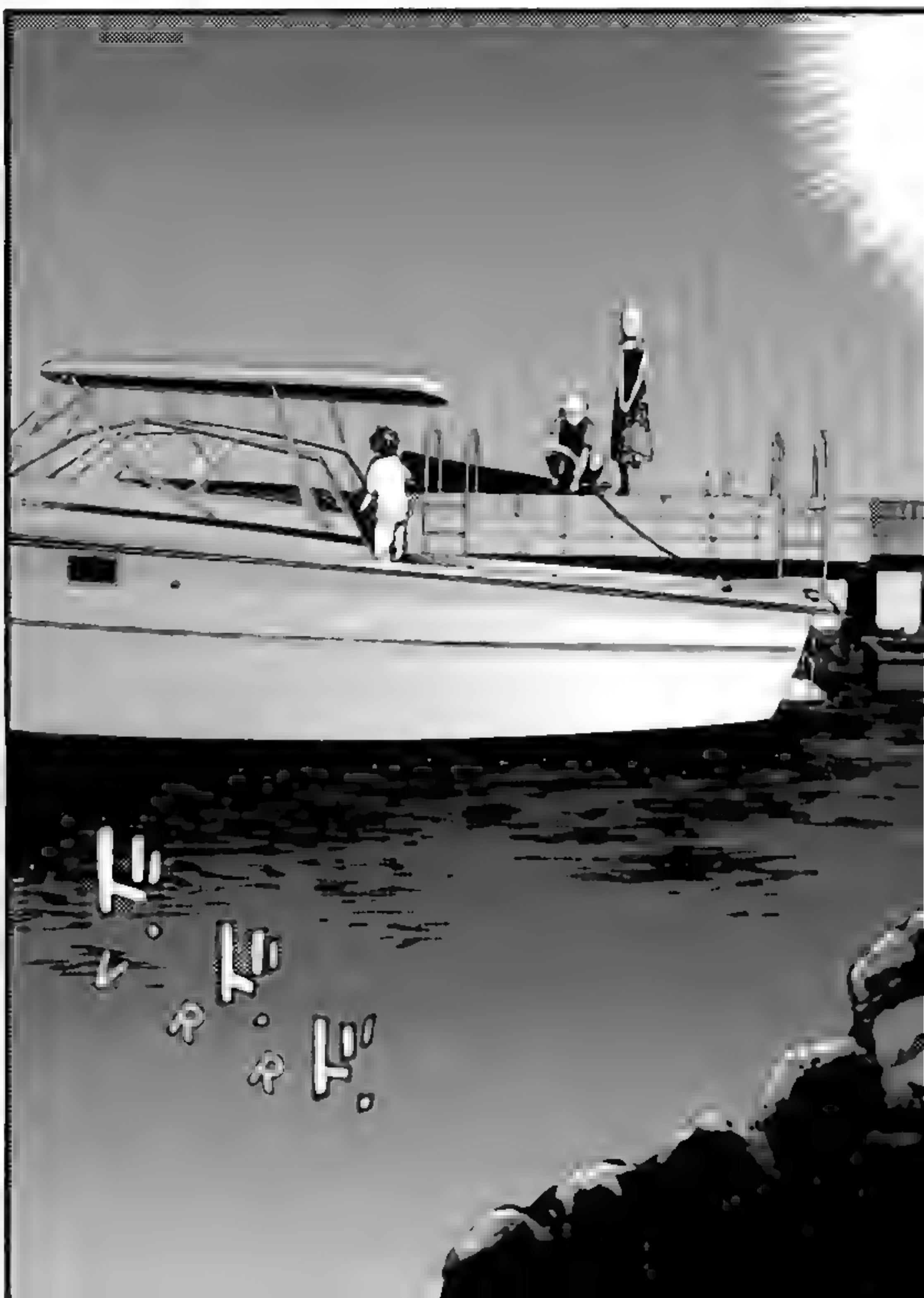


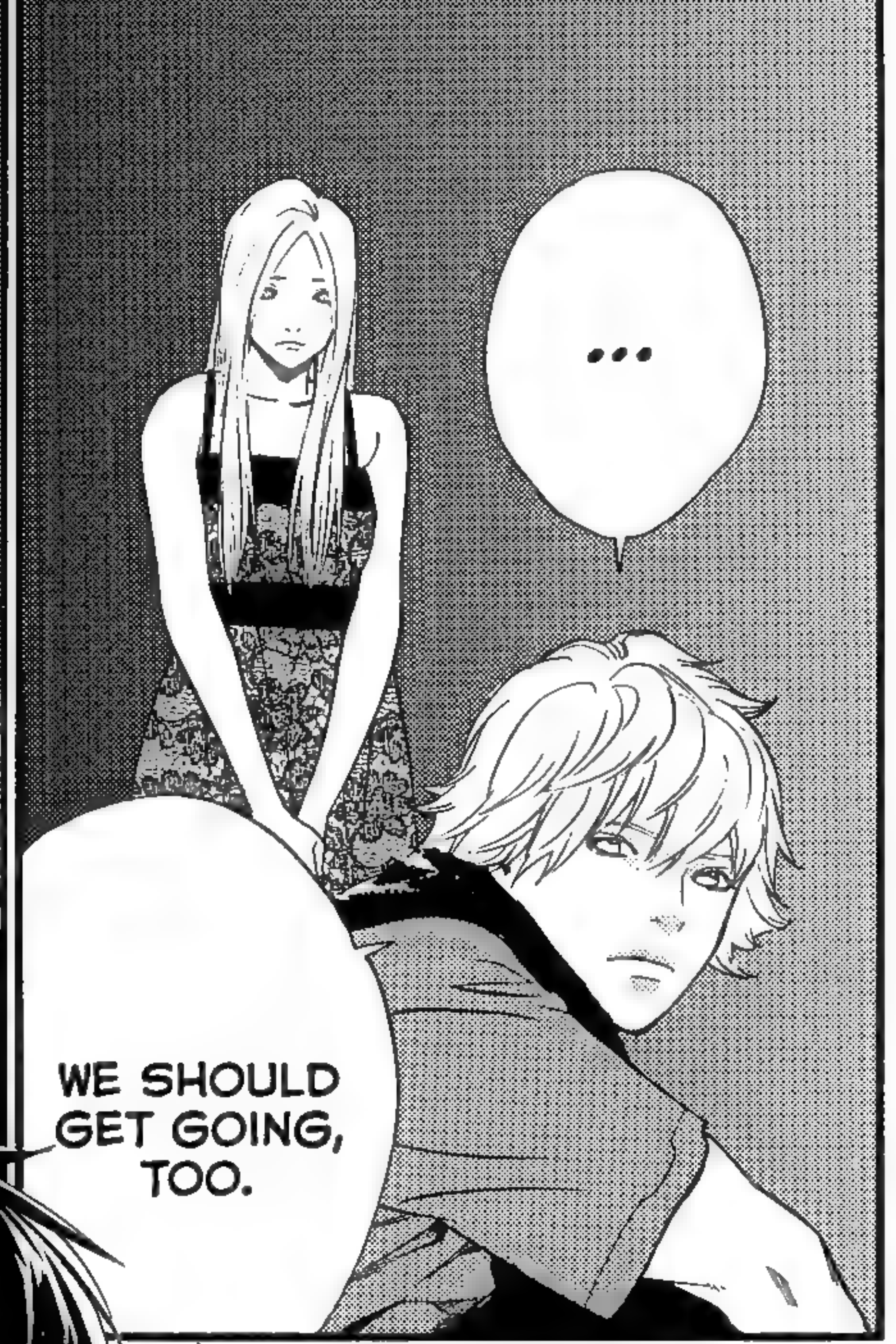


















ALIVE

We are alive on this planet, and they arrived... THE FINAL EVOLUTION





AAH, LET'S
JUST GO
WITH THE
THREE OF
US!

|||
= BAP

Chapter 53

Unspeakable Reasons

*When a man is doing something
he is ashamed of, he always declares
that it is his duty.*



ALL WE HAVE
TO DO IS
DESTROY
THE RADAR,
RIGHT?

A-AOI!

WE BUSTED
INTO THE BASE
BEFORE, SO
THIS SHOULD
BE A PIECE OF
CAKE!



DON'T LET
AOI AND
THE OTHERS
CATCH ON.



JUST
HOLD
ON!

C'MON!
LET'S
GO!



BUT WE
ALSO HAVE
TO KEEP THEM
SEPARATED
FROM TAISUKE.

YOUR MAIN
OBJECTIVE IS
TO DESTROY
THE RADAR,



...IS THE SAME
AS TAKING
TAISUKE'S
LIFE AWAY.

WHAT MAMA IS
PLANNING TO
DO...



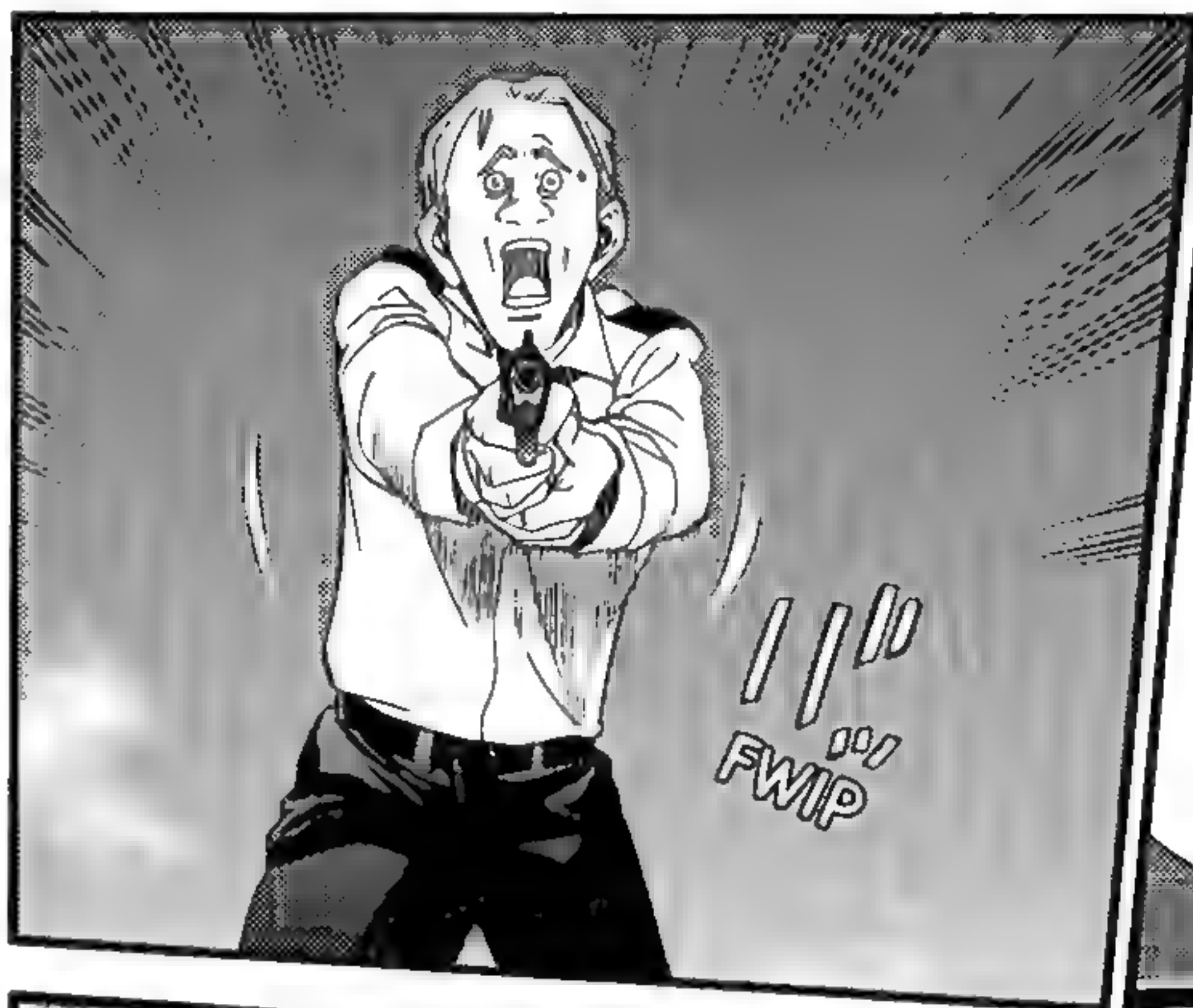






IT'S NO SWEAT BETWEEN JUST ME AND JUN-KUN!



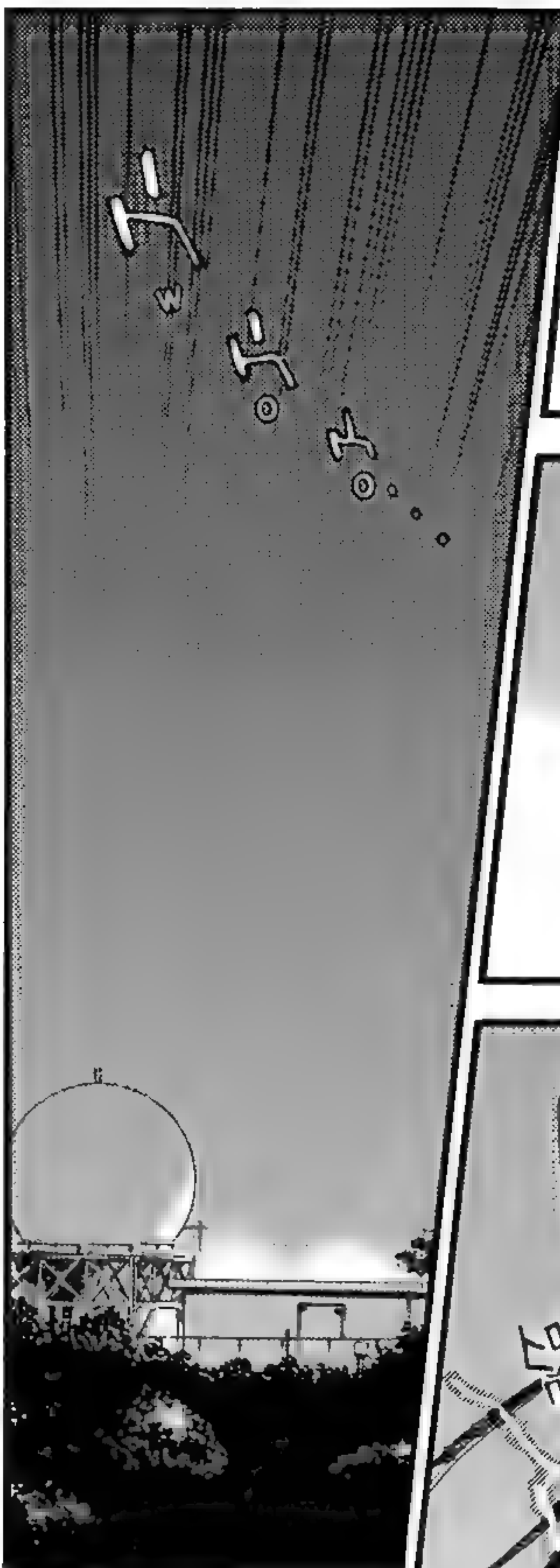






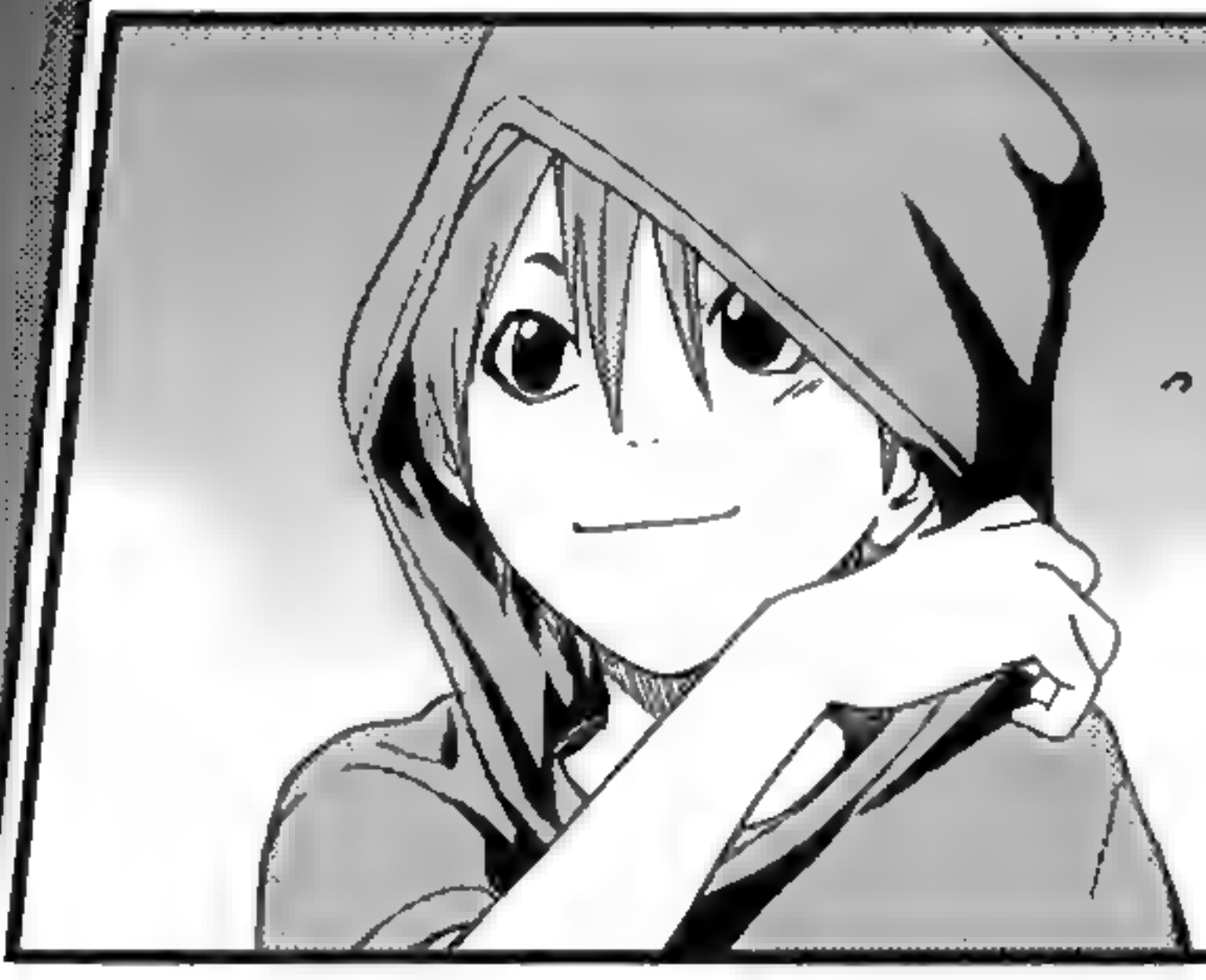


THINGS ARE
STARTING TO
HEAT UP...



WE CAN TAKE
'EM WITH
JUST THE
THREE OF
US!

SEE?



...YEAH.

LET'S
JUST HOPE
RETRIEVING
THE HEART
GOES AS
PLANNED!





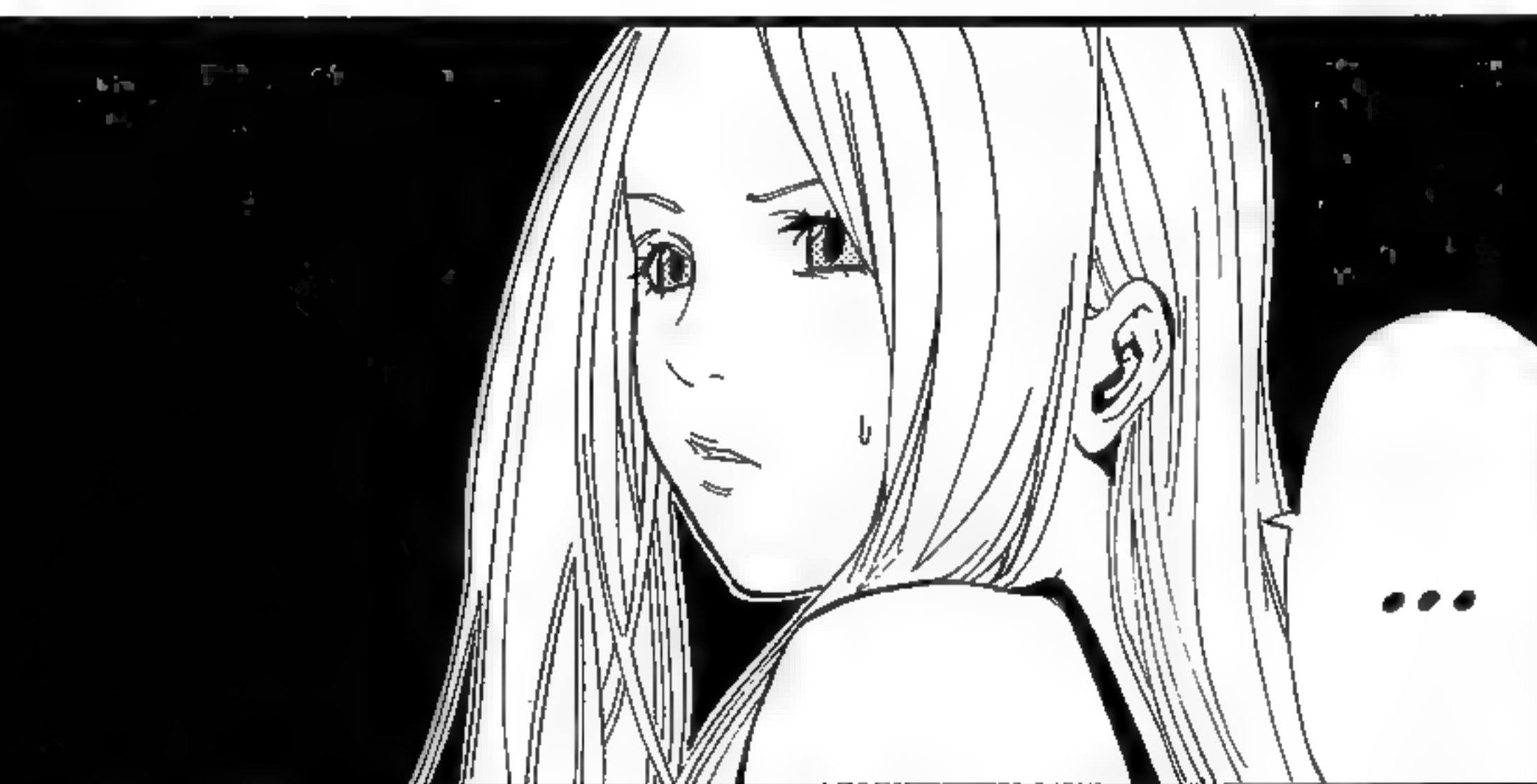


IT'S ALL
RIGHT,
HE'S NOT A
WEIRDO.

Well, he is
but...

TAP

A COM-
RADE?!



...



WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
HERE,
MICKIE?!

IT'S BEEN
A WHILE,
BROTHER!



HIS NAME'S
MICKIE...

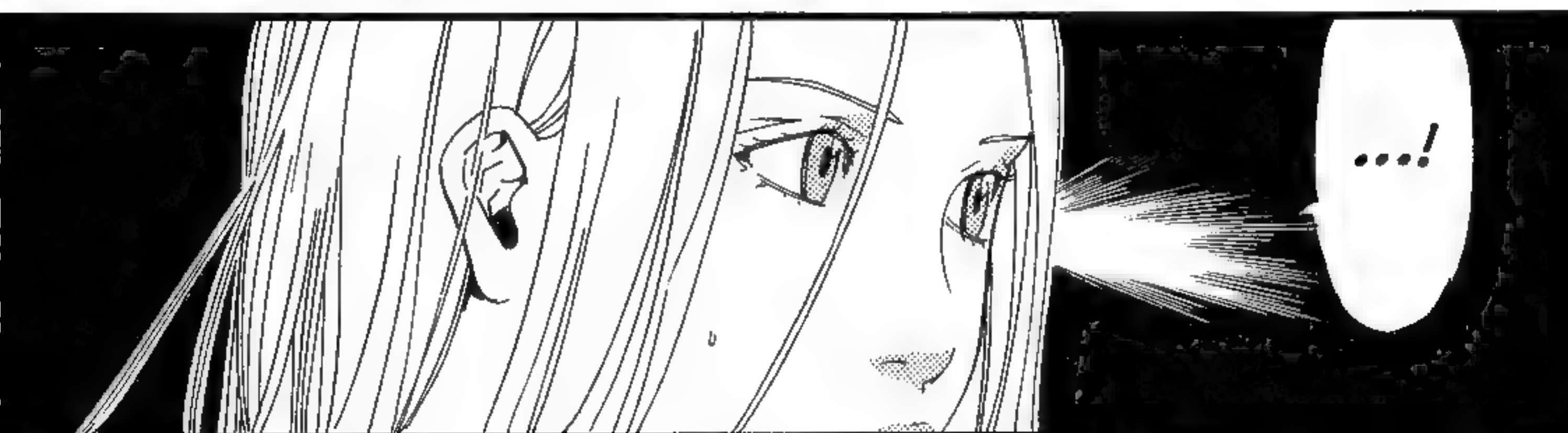
...AND HE'S
A COMRADE
WHO KNOWS
MEGU.





MEGU?

**DON'T
YOU WANT
TO SEE
MEGUMI?!**



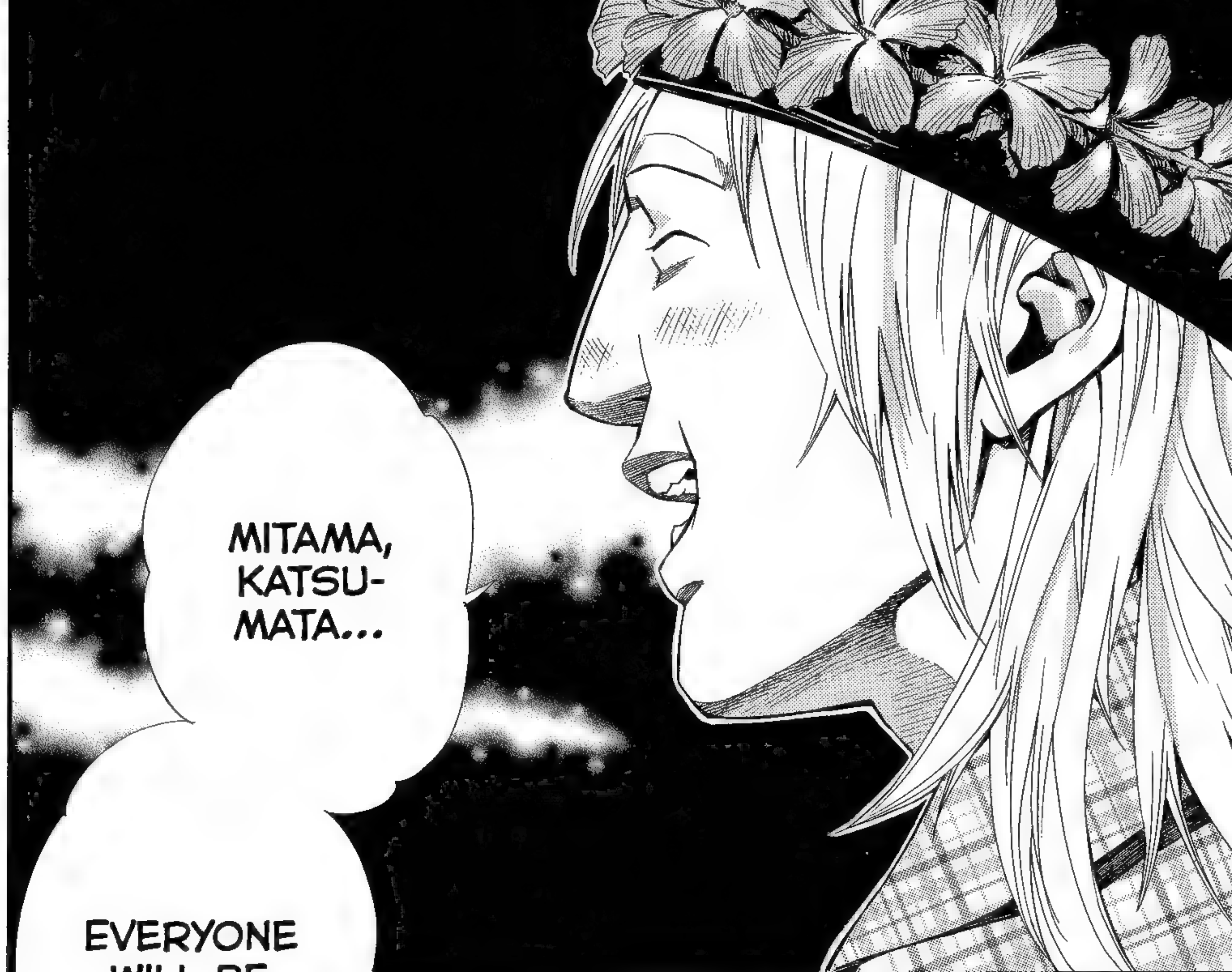
...!



**WE'LL ALL
THROW A
BIG PARTY!**

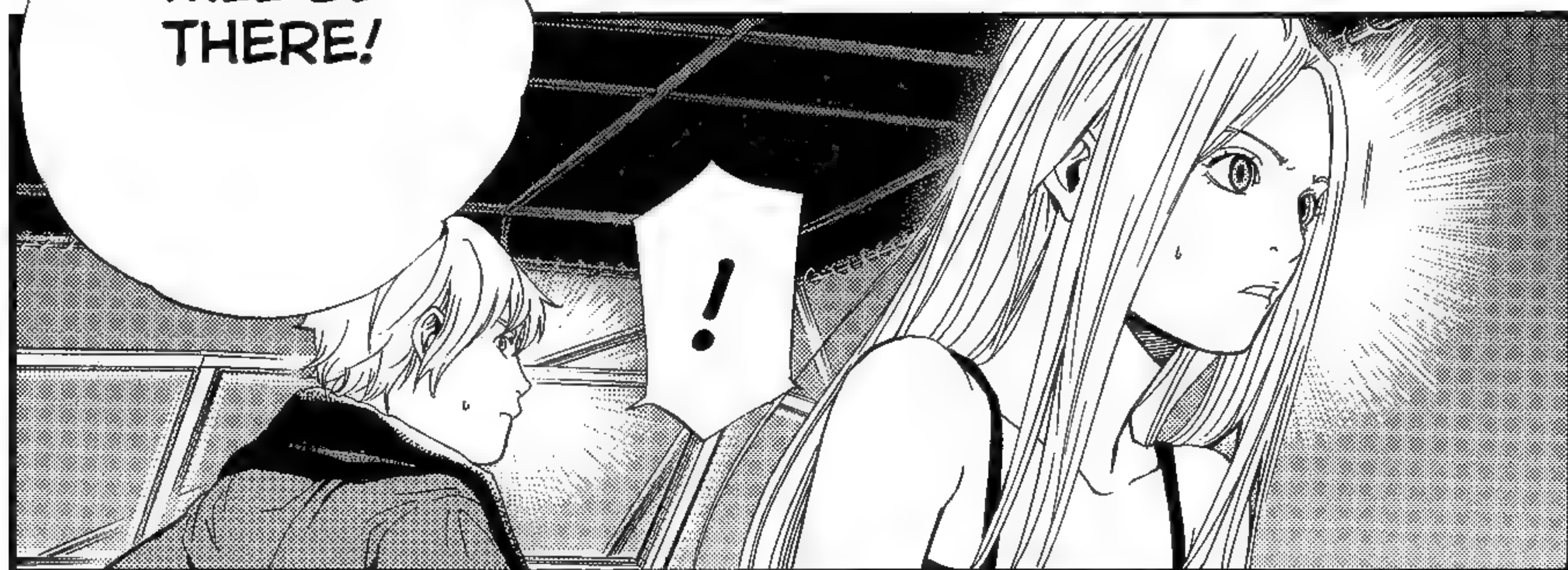
**I'M SURE
SHE'D BE
HAPPY TO
SEE YOU!**

**C'MON,
LET'S GO
NOW!**

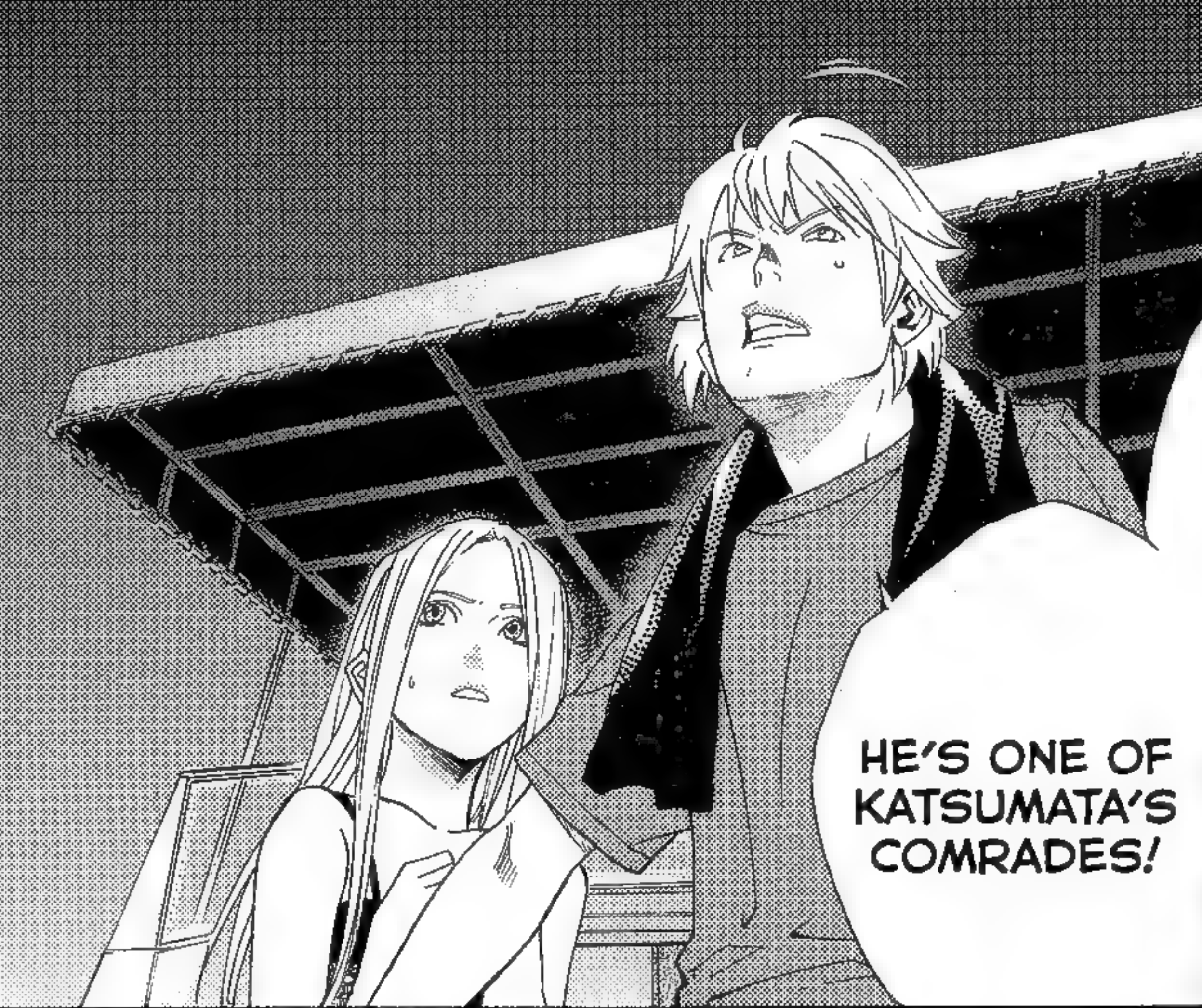


MITAMA,
KATSU-
MATA...

EVERYONE
WILL BE
THERE!



KATSU-
MATA...



HE'S ONE OF
KATSUMATA'S
COMRADES!

SO HE IS
JUST AN
ENEMY!

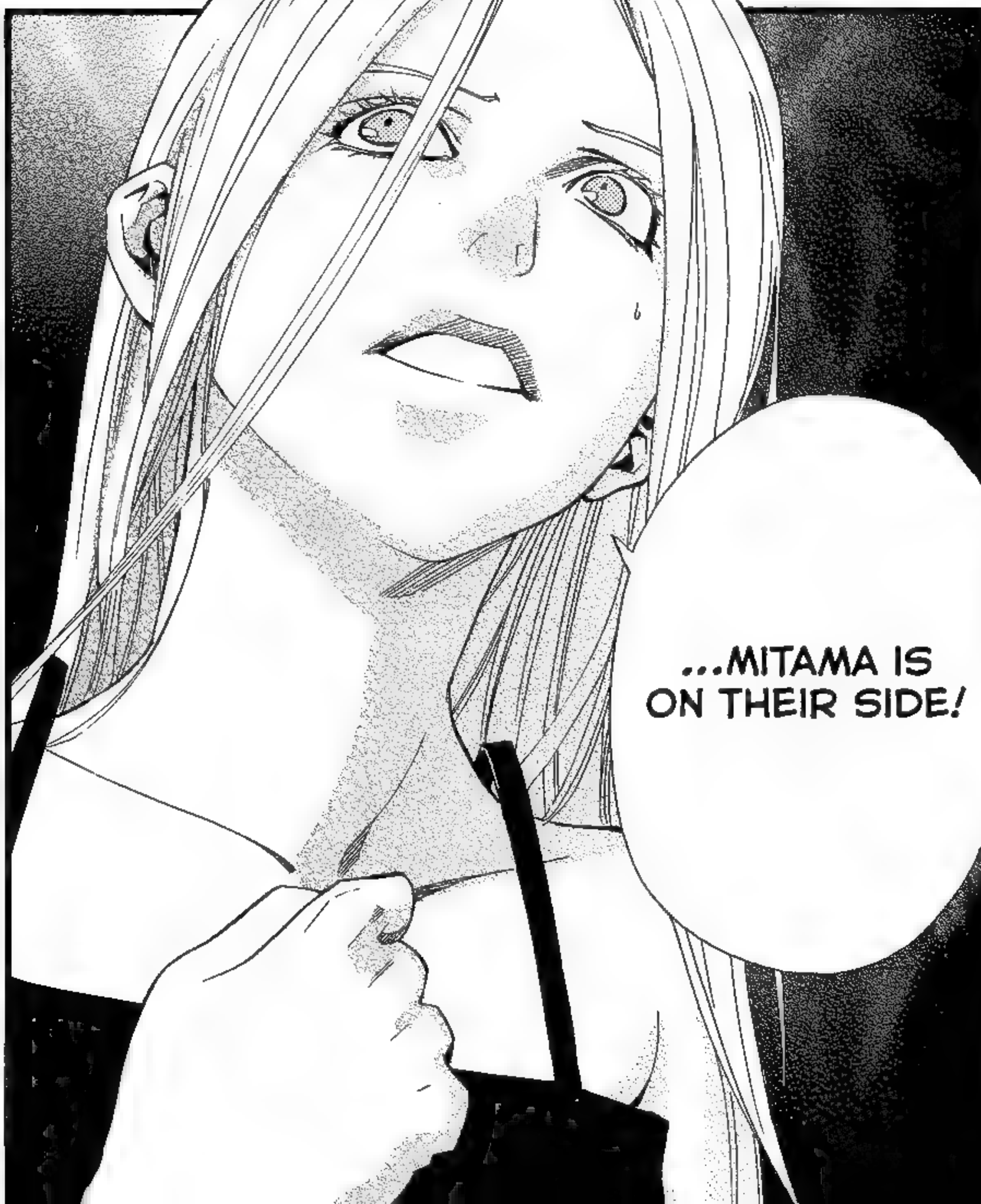


BUT YES.
MORE IMPOR-
TANT-
LY...

HE MUST BE
AFTER THE
HEART WITH
THIS KINDA
TIMING...



LET ME BE
PERFECTLY
CLEAR...



...MITAMA IS
ON THEIR SIDE!



**MORE LIKE
A BLOOD-
BATH!**

**A
PARTY?**

Whoa!

GRRRR

**I'LL BASH
HIS DAMN
HEAD IN!**

**I'LL BEAT
THE LIVING
CRAP OUT
OF KATSU-
MATA THE
SECOND I
SEE HIM!**



**YOU
SHOULD
GO
HOME.**

**SO,
THAT'S
HOW IT
IS.**

**SORRY,
MICKIE.**



I WON'T GO
SEE MEGU!



I'M SURE
MEGU WILL
UNDERSTAND
...



THERE'S
STILL...



...SOMETHING I
NEED TO TAKE
CARE OF.



YOU DON'T
GET IT,
EITHER!



I DON'T
GET IIIIT!



OKAY?

YOU'RE
COMING
WITH ME,
TAISUKE!



...COME
OVER
HERE.



?

SO...







WAIT!



SPLOOSH

**REI-NII!
YUKIE-
SAN!**



**WHAT
THE
HELL
ARE
YOU
...?!**

CLENCH







HALF THE
REASON I
CAME HERE
WAS JUST TO
PLAY.

...



UH-
HUH!

AND...



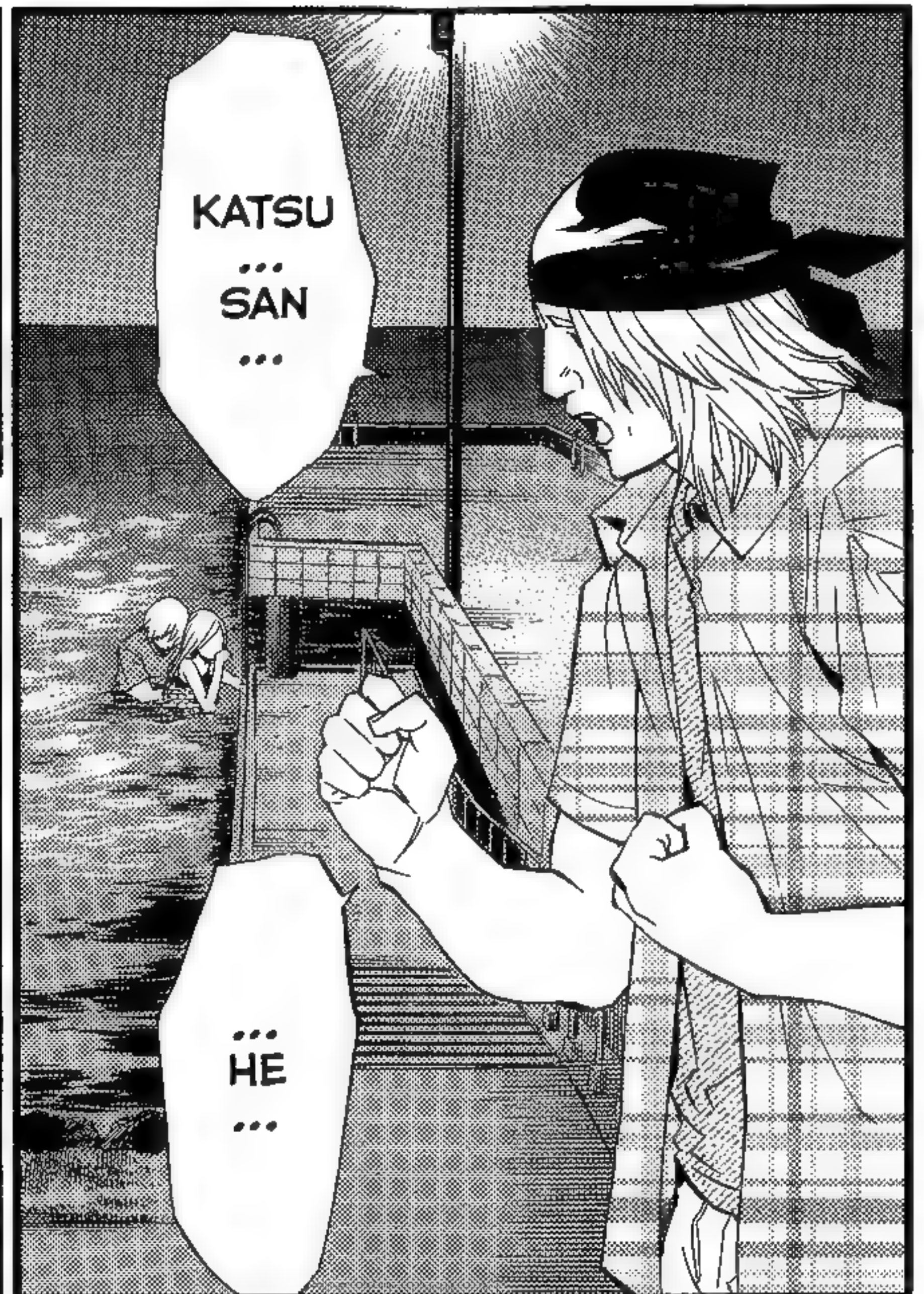
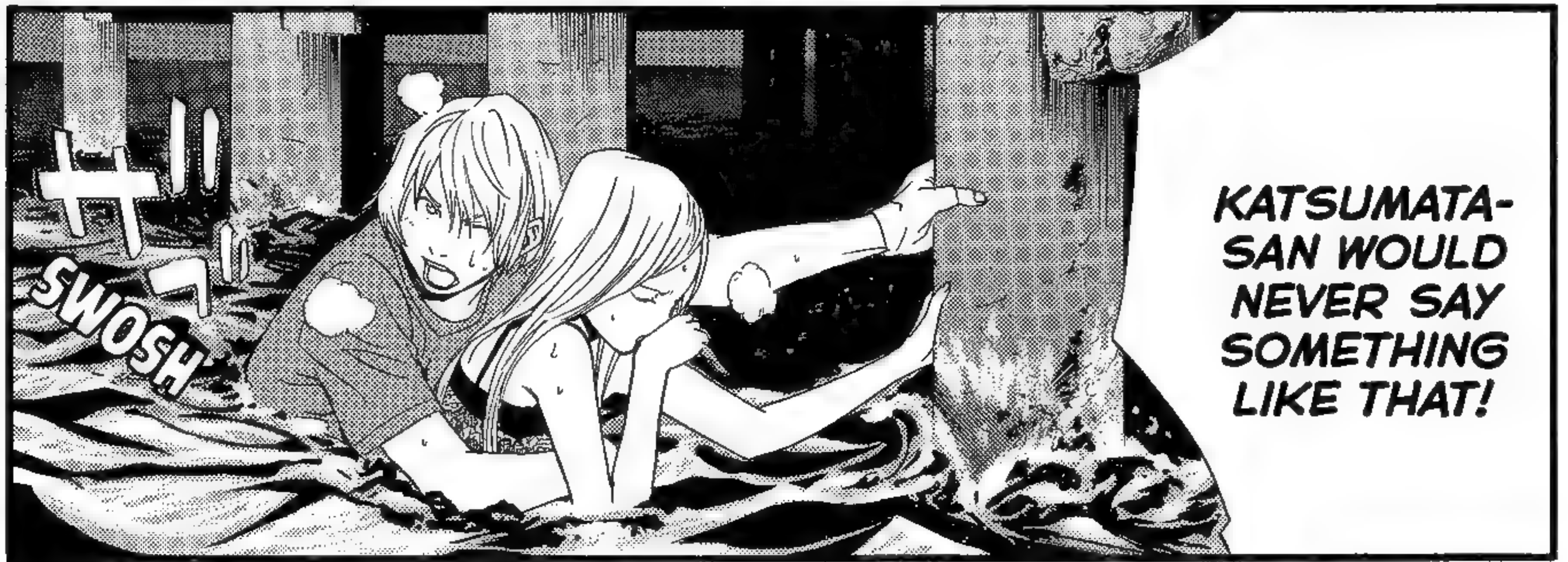
DID
KATSU-
MATA...

...TELL
YOU TO
LOOK
FOR ME?



...DID HE
TELL YOU
TO KILL
ME...

...IF I
DIDN'T
COOPER-
ATE?

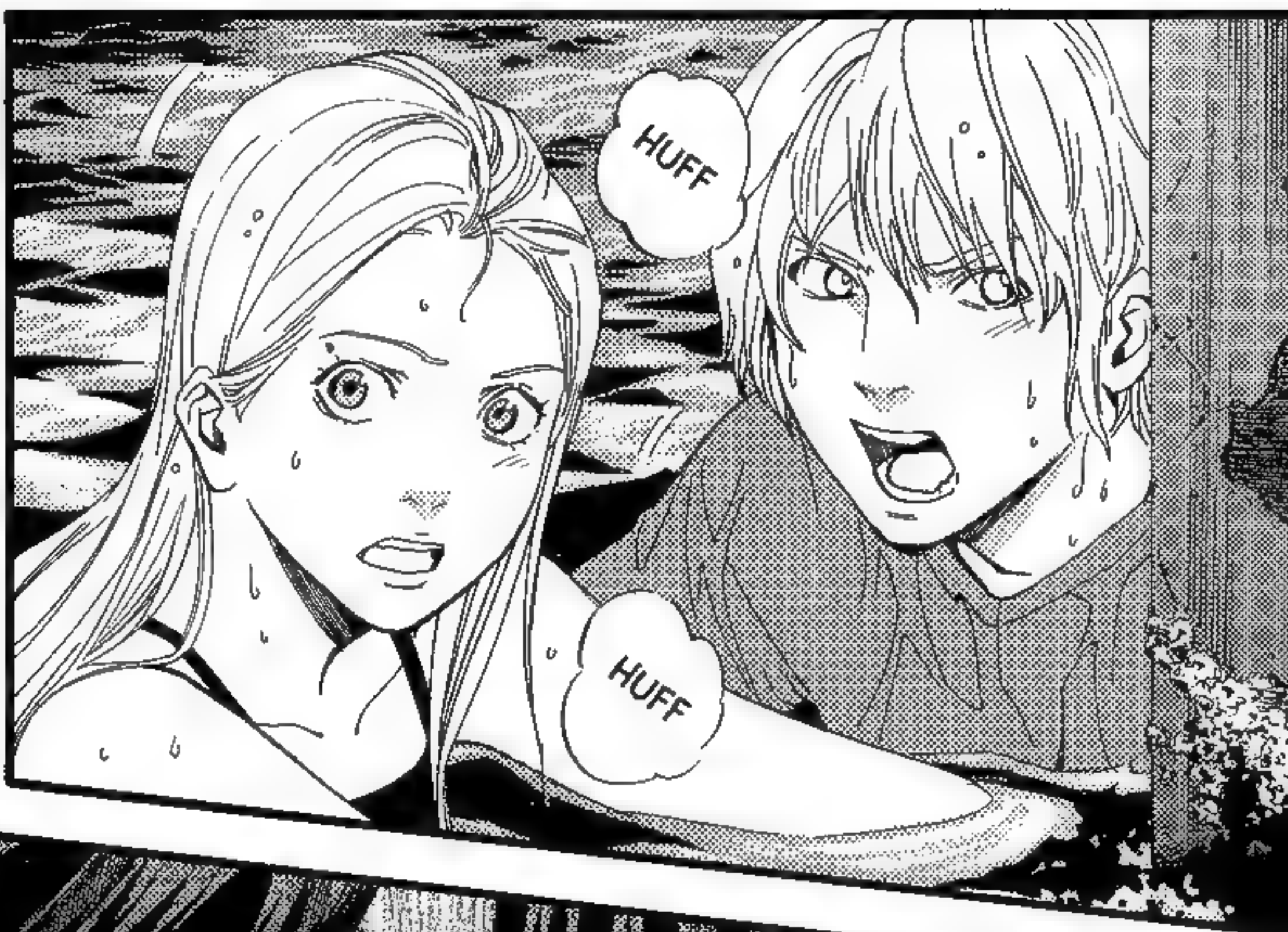




I WOULD
NEVER KILL
YOU, KANOU-
KUN...



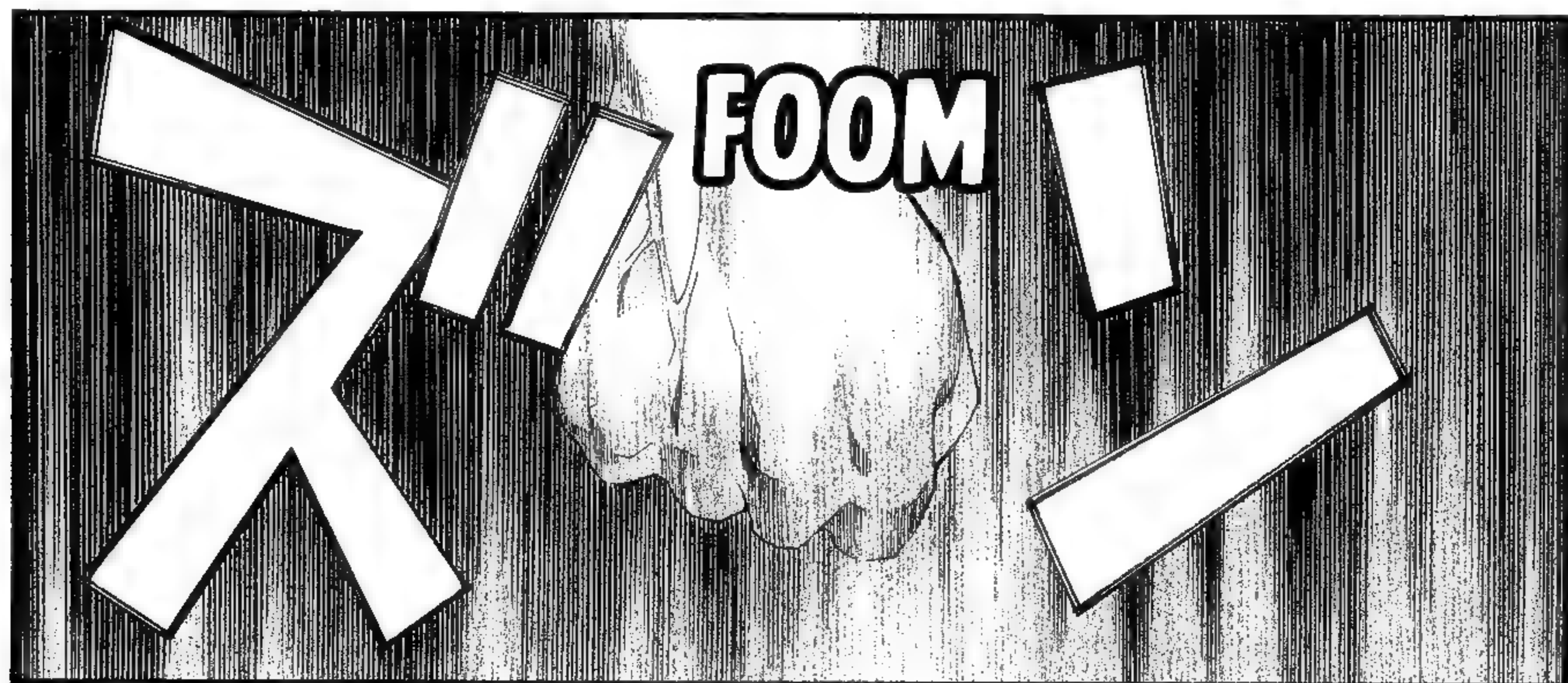
OH, NO!
HE'S...



HUFF

HUFF







HUFF



AND IN
ORDER TO
DO THAT...

HUFF



...I NEED
YOU...

...TO BECOME
THE VESSEL
TO HOST THE
HEART,
TAISUKE.



I WILL USE
THE REST OF
MY LIFE...

TO PUT YOU
TO SLEEP.



THERE
HAS TO BE SOME-
THING...

...ASIDE
FROM
BINDING
KANOU'S
LIFE FOR-
EVER!



ISN'T
THERE
ANY
OTHER
WAY?!



DON'T
GO YET,
KANOU...!







IS THERE SOME
SORT OF MEANING
BEHIND THIS HAIR
ACCESSORY?







**HE'S A
COM-
RADE!**



**AND
THOSE
EYES...**

**WHEN DID
HE GET
BEHIND
ME?**



**IS THERE
A REASON
YOU CANNOT
SPEAK OF?**



**IT HAS SIGNIFI-
CANT MEANING
TO YOU...**



**THAT THOUGHT
ALONE IS SIG-
NIFICANT...**



**YOU MIGHT BE
ABLE TO GIVE
ME A BETTER
ANSWER...**

**COMRADES ARE
DIFFERENT FROM
HUMANS.**



...THINKS THE
SAME.

I'M SURE MR.
KATSUMATA...



...I
DON'T
HAVE
TIME FOR
THIS!

SHING



S-SORRY,
BUT...









THIS
IS...

MY
POWER!



OW!



YOUNG LADY...




SHRK



**IF YOU BECOME
A MIRROR...**

**...AND REVEAL
EVERYTHING FAITH-
FULLY, YOU MAY FIND
AN ANSWER.**



**BRING FORTH
YOUR PAIN,
SUFFERING, AND
HATRED.**

**EXPOSE YOUR
UNSEEMLY
NATURE.**



TELL ME...

**WHAT IS
LIFE TO
YOU?**



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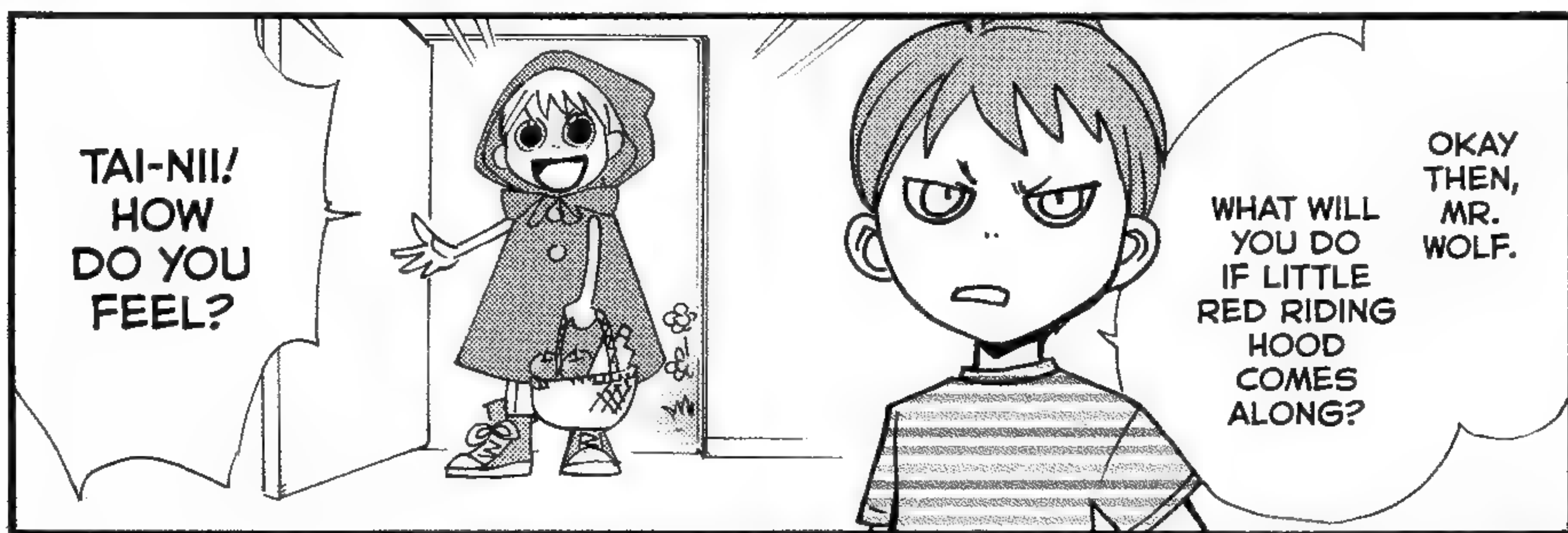
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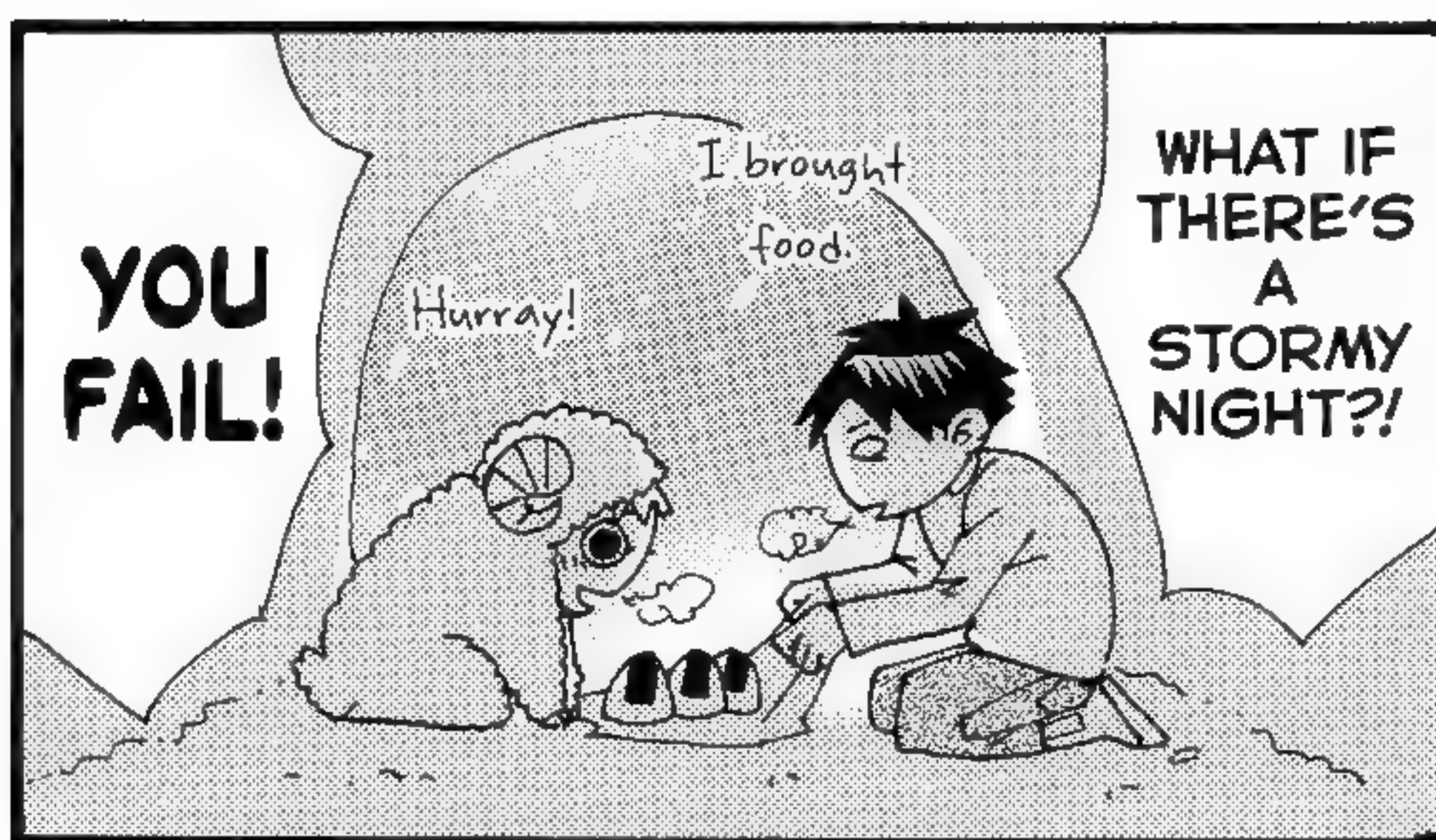
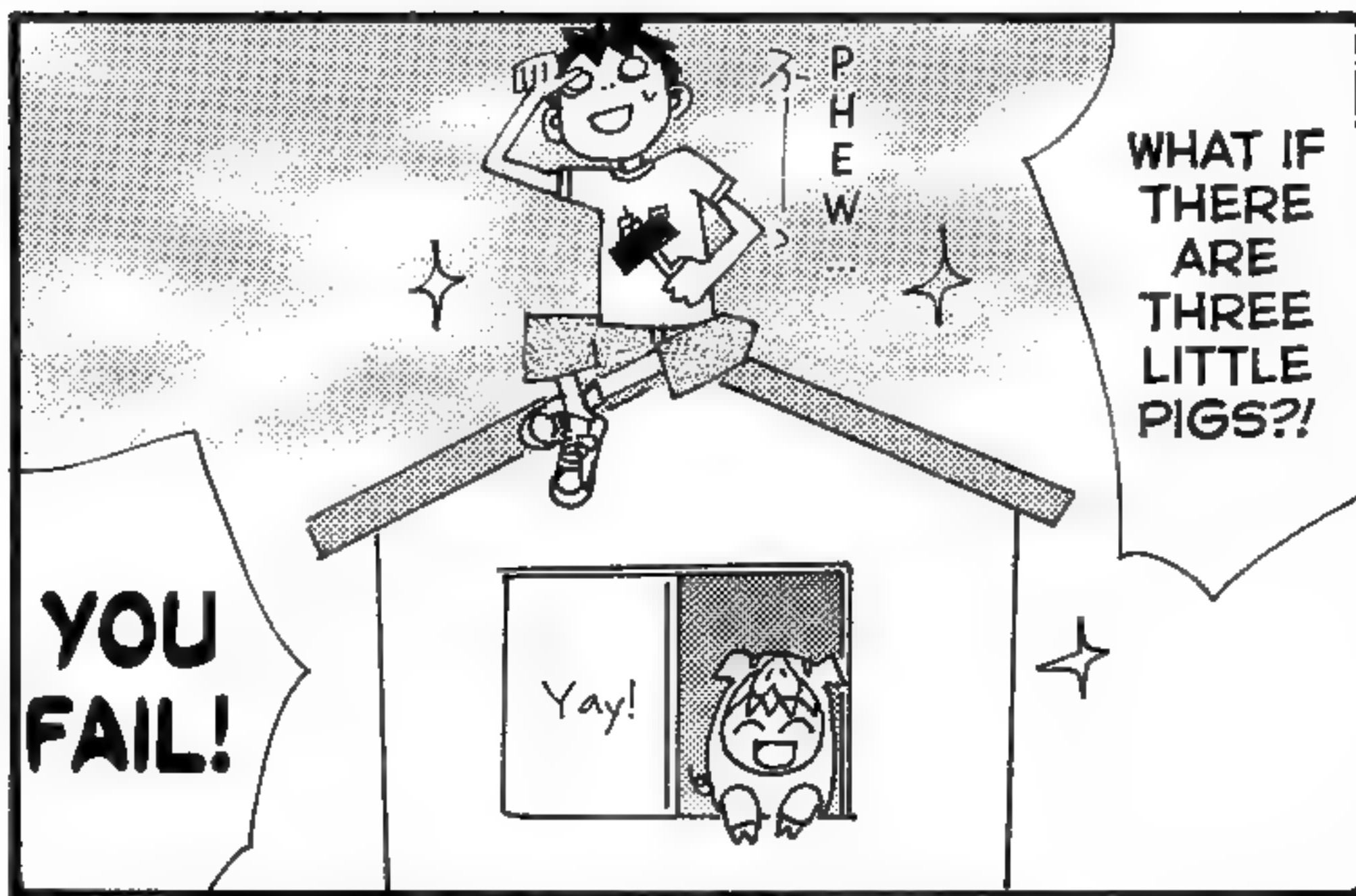


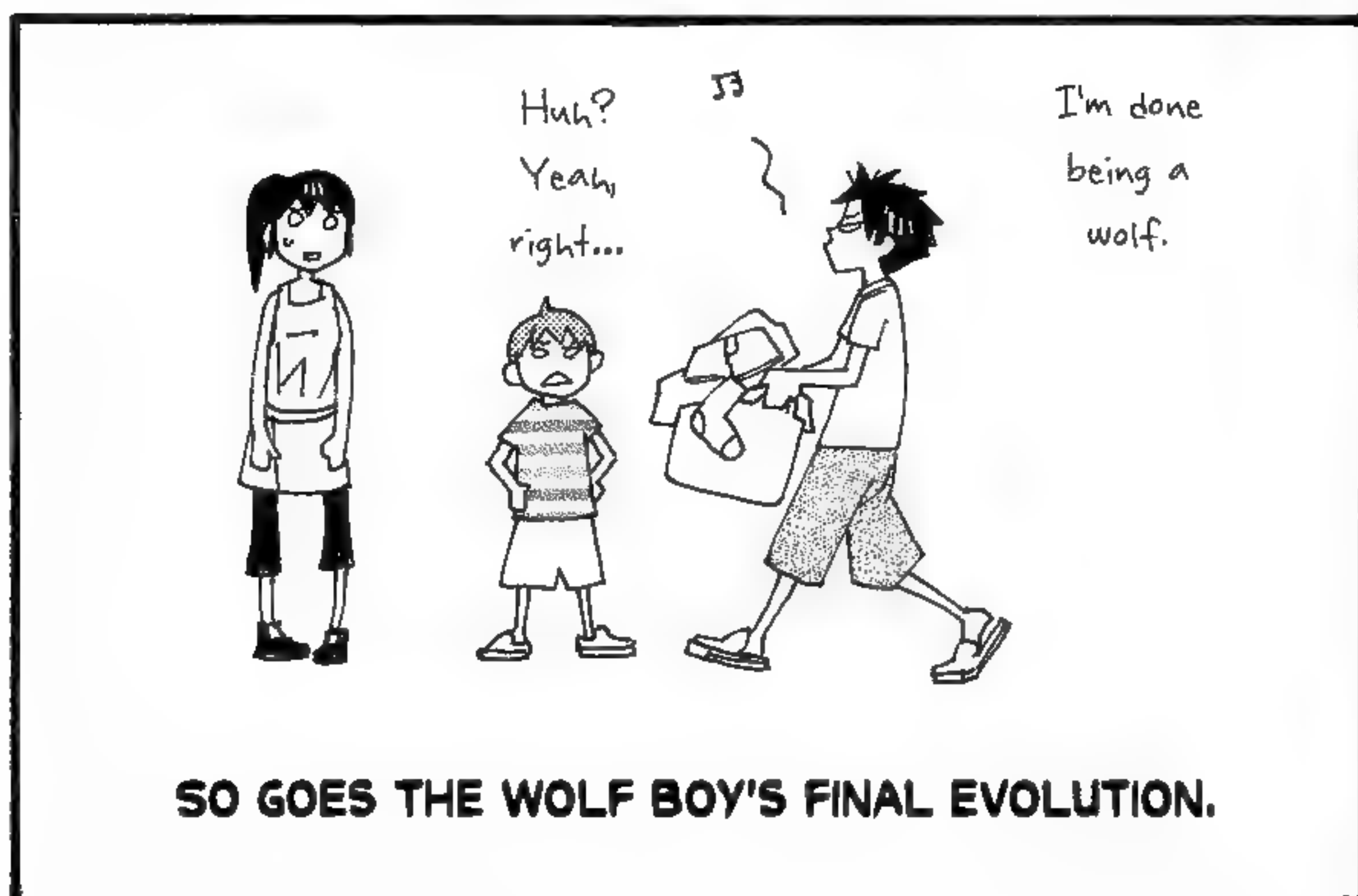
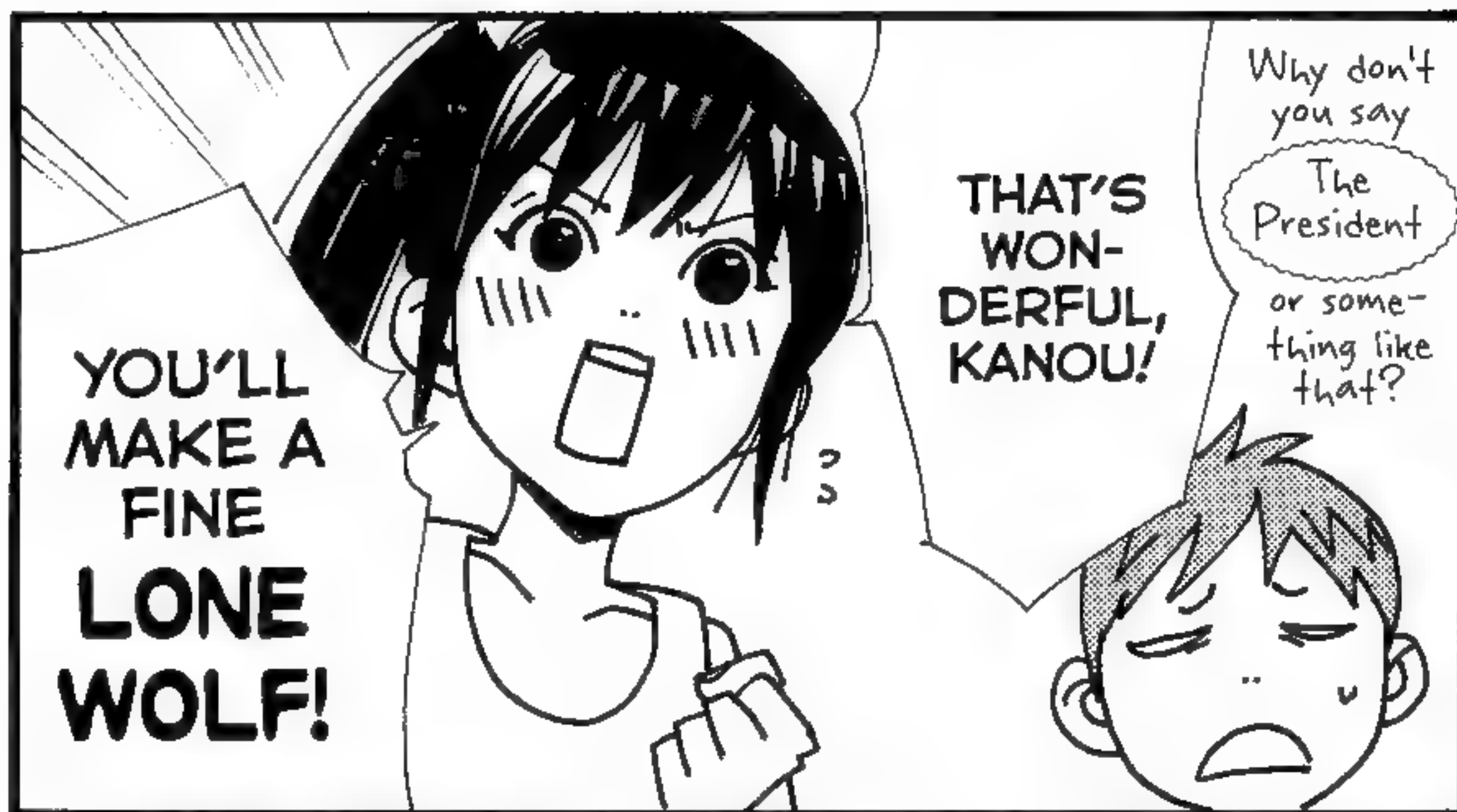
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until the end!



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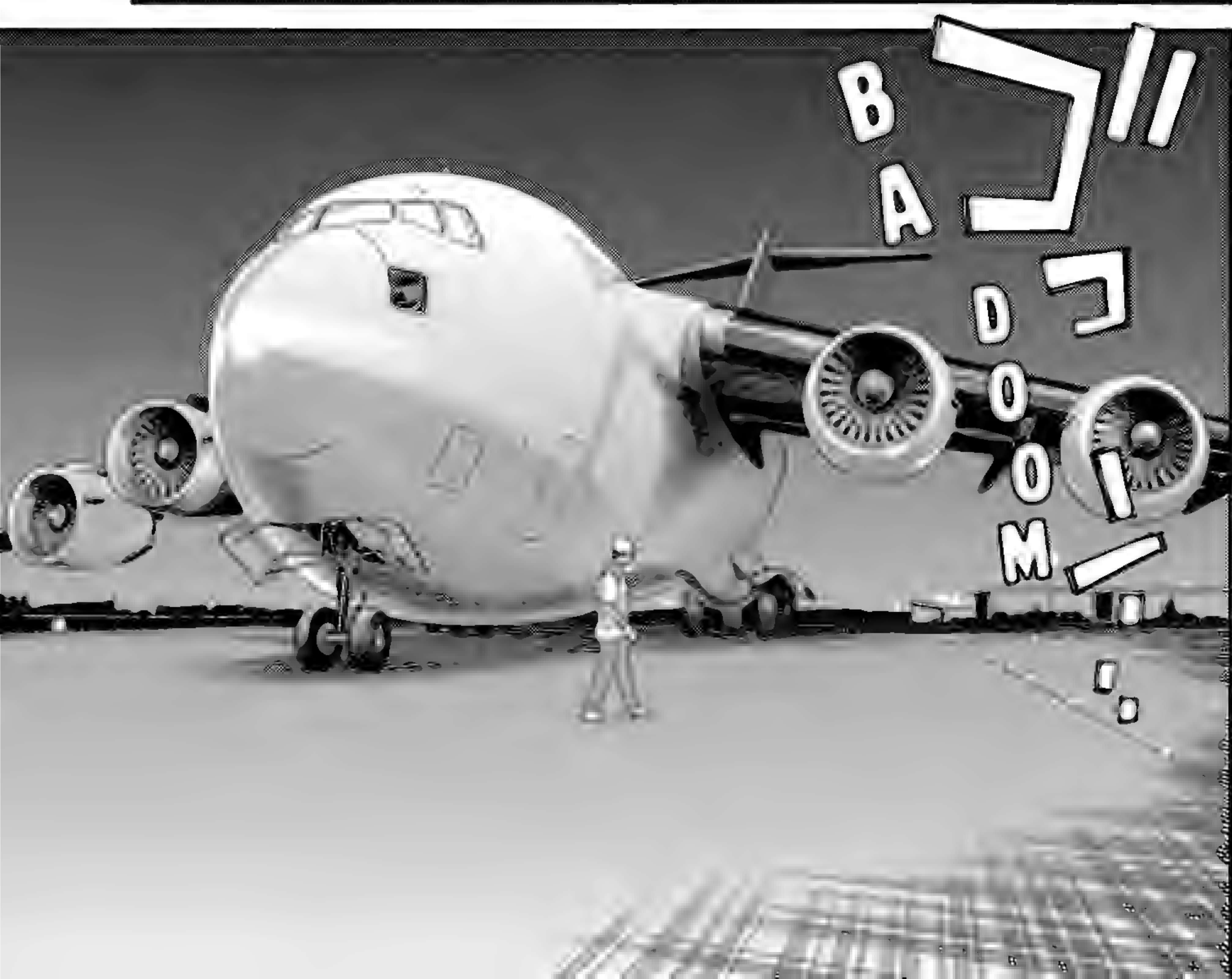
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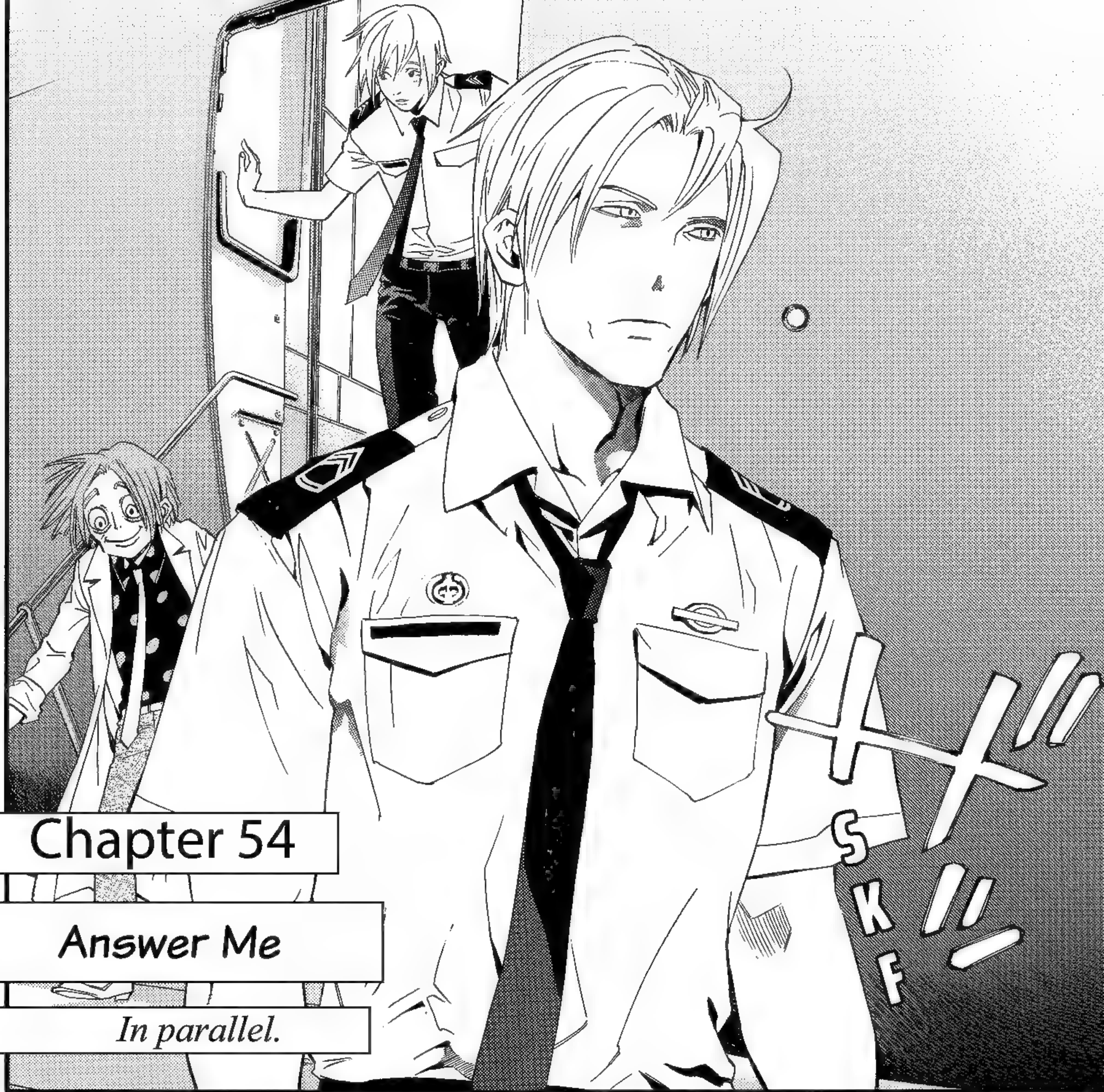
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Chapter 54

Answer Me

In parallel.





HE REALLY
DRAGGED THE
POET ALL THE
WAY HERE WITH
US.



THE CAPTAIN
SURE IS PUSHY...



PERSONALLY, I
CAN'T WAIT!

I'M POSITIVE
SOMETHING WILL
HAPPEN IF THE POET
AND HEART ARE
BROUGHT TOGETHER.

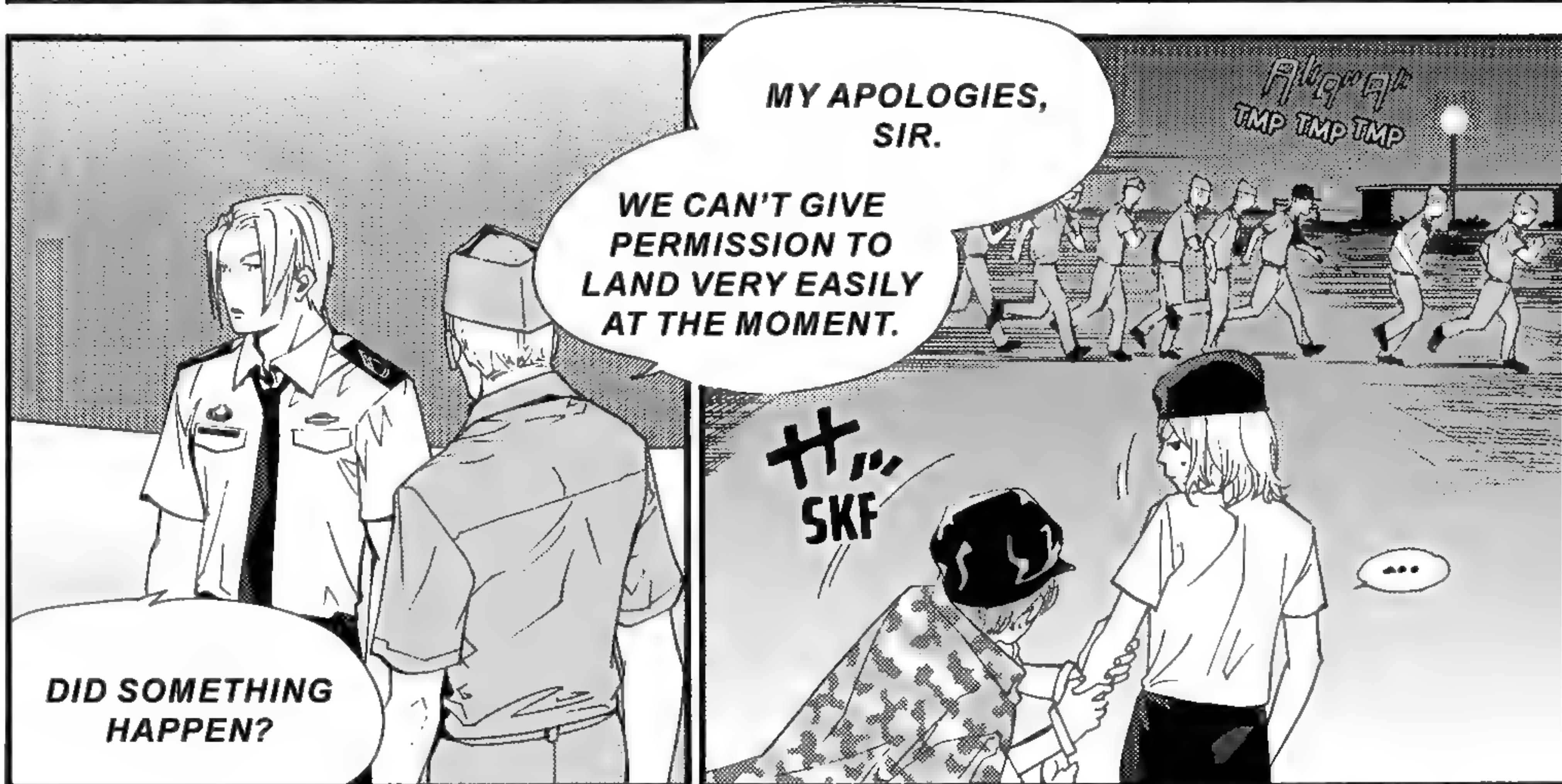
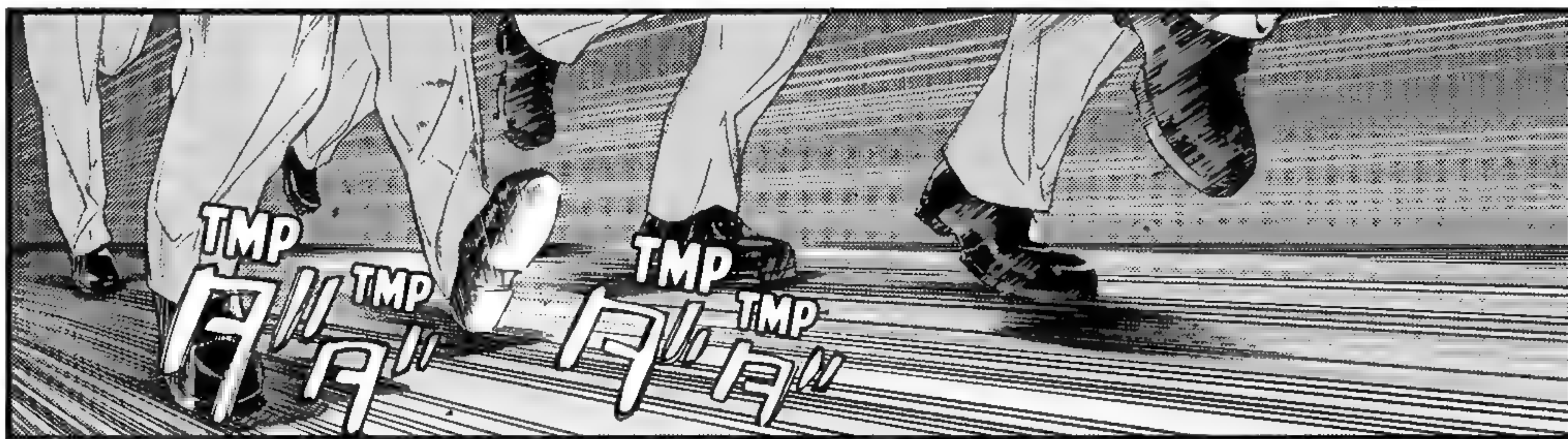


ESPECIALLY
AFTER WHAT
HAPPENED TO
D3.

Well, I did shoot him, too.



I'M SURPRISED HE
ACTUALLY CAME
WITH US...





**THE MAIN BASE'S
RADARS HAVE
STOPPED
FUNCTIONING.**

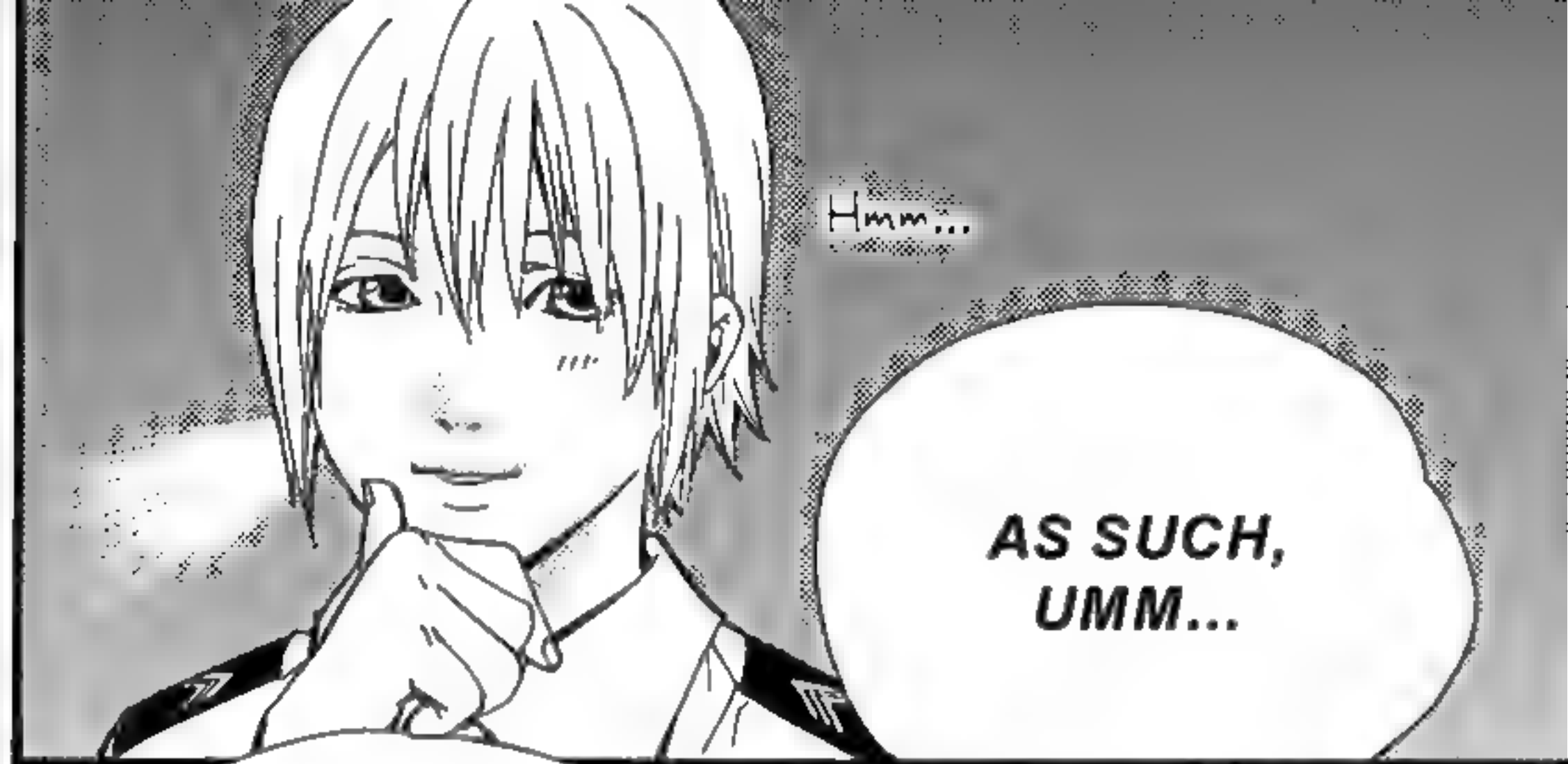
**ALL OF THEM,
ONE BY ONE...**

**IT COULD BE
MERELY AN ACCIDENT,
BUT WE'RE UNABLE TO
COMMUNICATE WITH
ANYONE.**

**AS A PRECAUTION,
WE'RE PREPARING TO
GO ON ALERT...**



**...AND MOBILIZING
TROOPS TO THE
MAIN BASE AS WE
SPEAK.**



Hmm...

AS SUCH,
UMM...

...WE WON'T
BE ABLE TO
ESCORT YOU TO
THE COASTAL
PLATFORM UNTIL
TOMORROW.

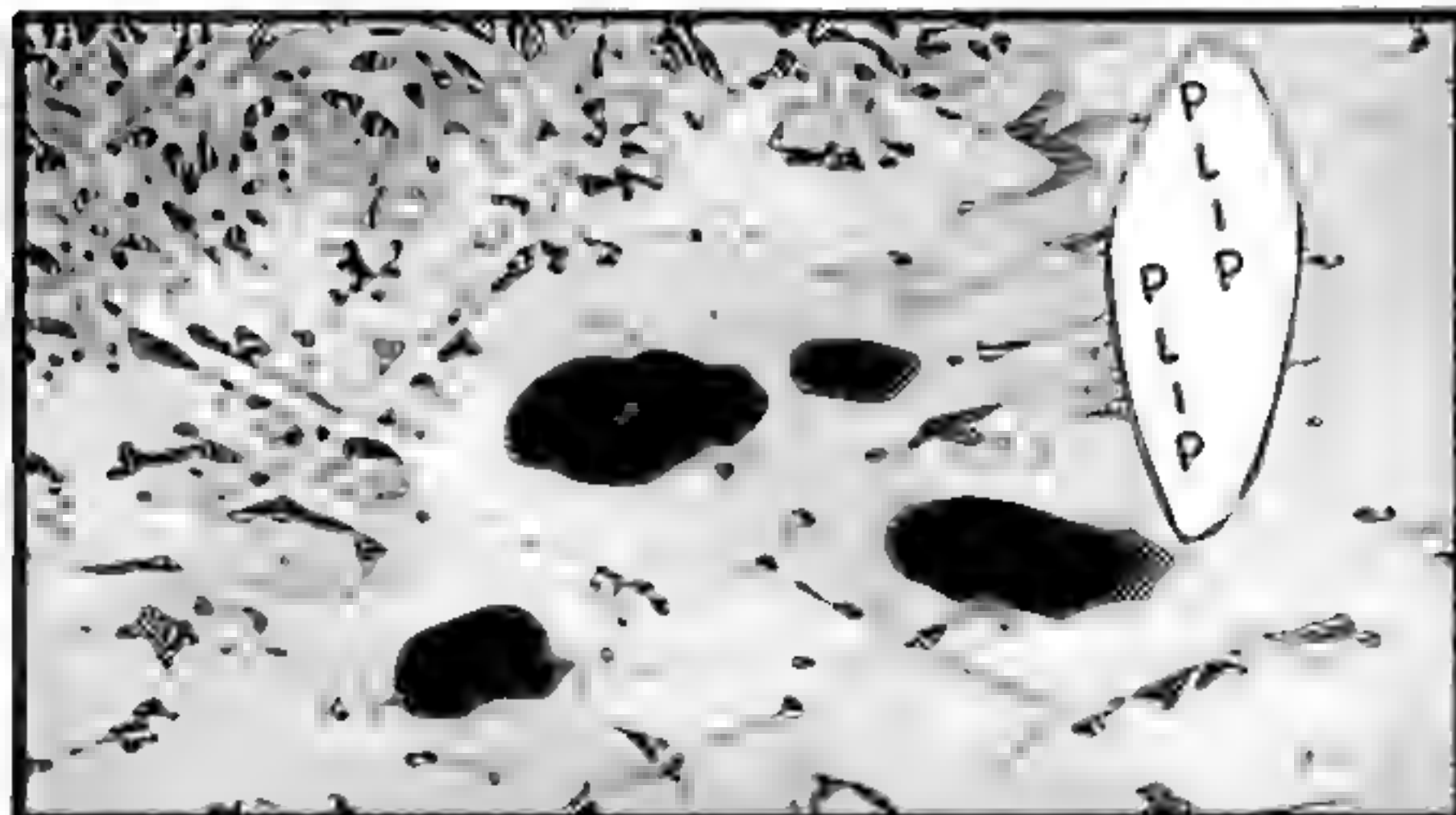
IS THERE ANY-
THING YOU NEED
FOR THE TIME
BEING?



THE COMRADES
ARE COMING!



READY A
CHOPPER
IMMEDIATELY.





YOUNG
LADY...

AS ONE WHO CHOSE
TO CLING TO LIFE
AFTER OBTAINING
THIS POWER, YOU
SHOULD KNOW...

**THAT'S...
MY POWER!**

X X SHING

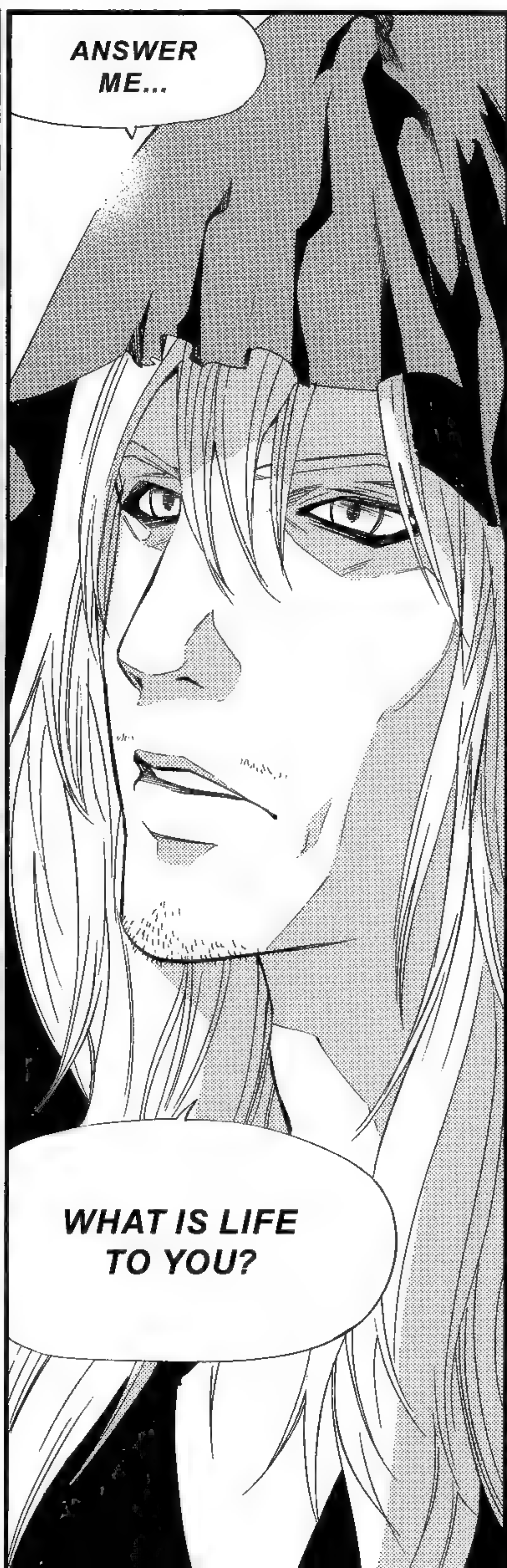


BUT HOW?!



FOCUS!

**I CAN'T
MOVE ON
UNLESS
I DEFEAT
HIM.**

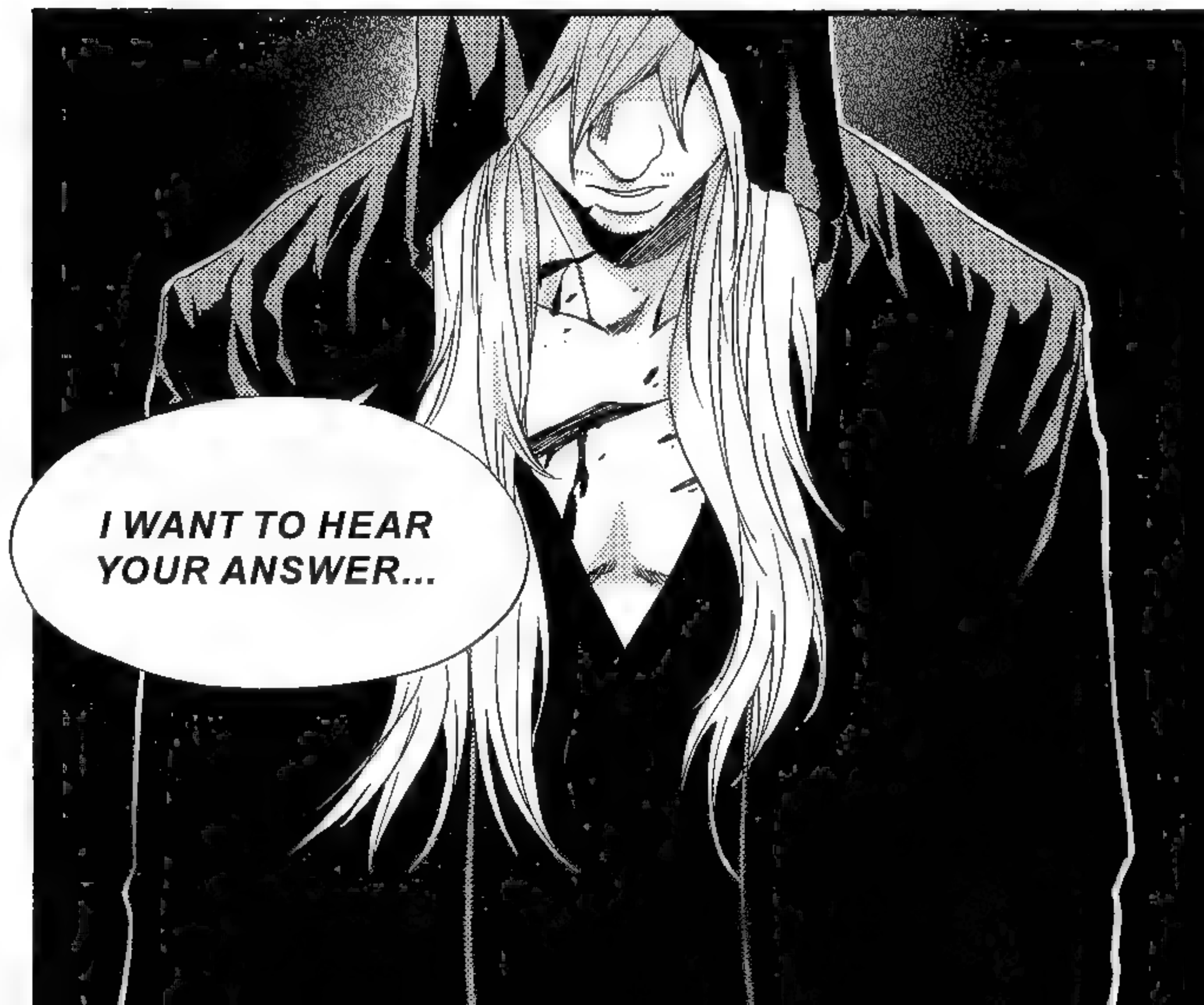


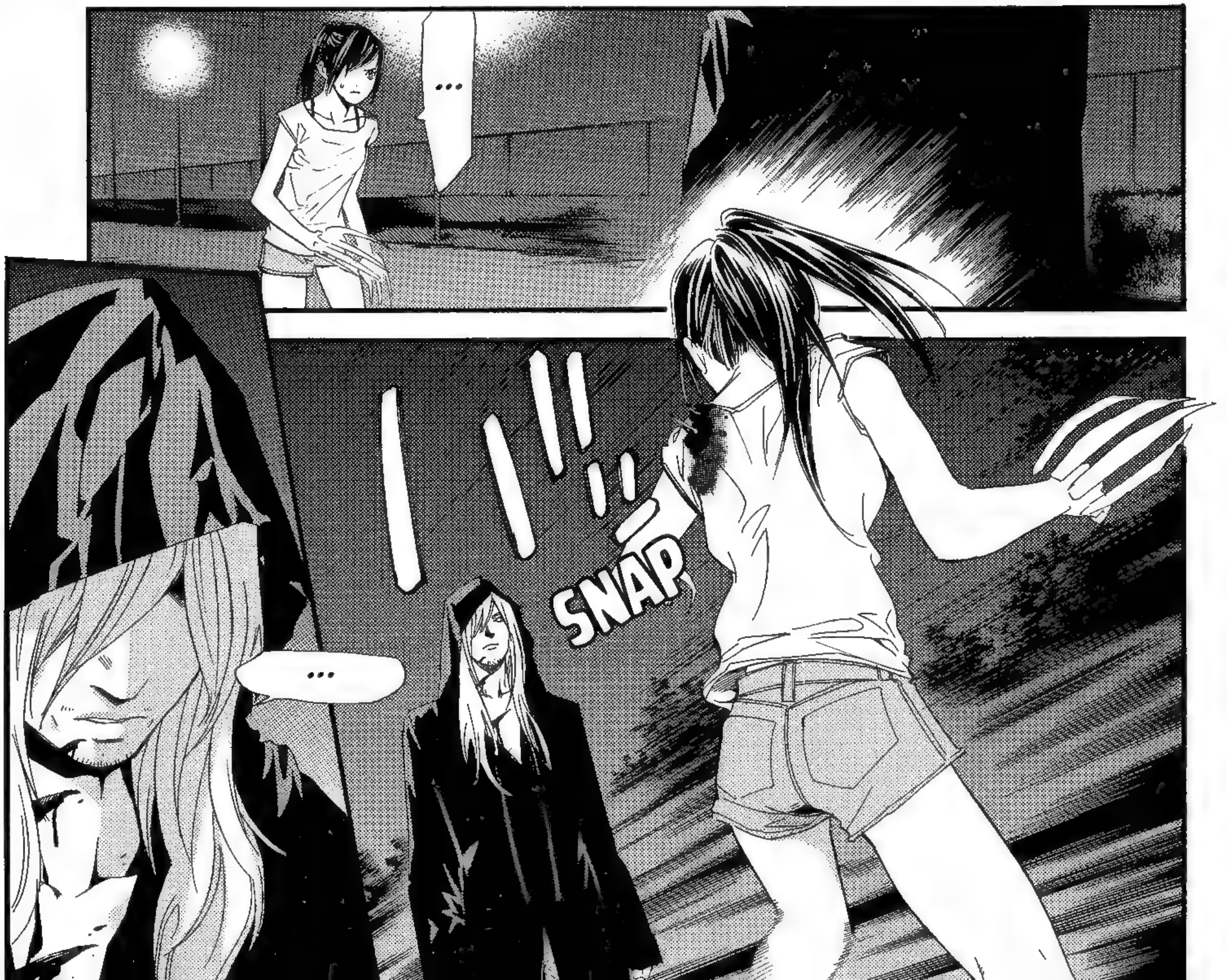
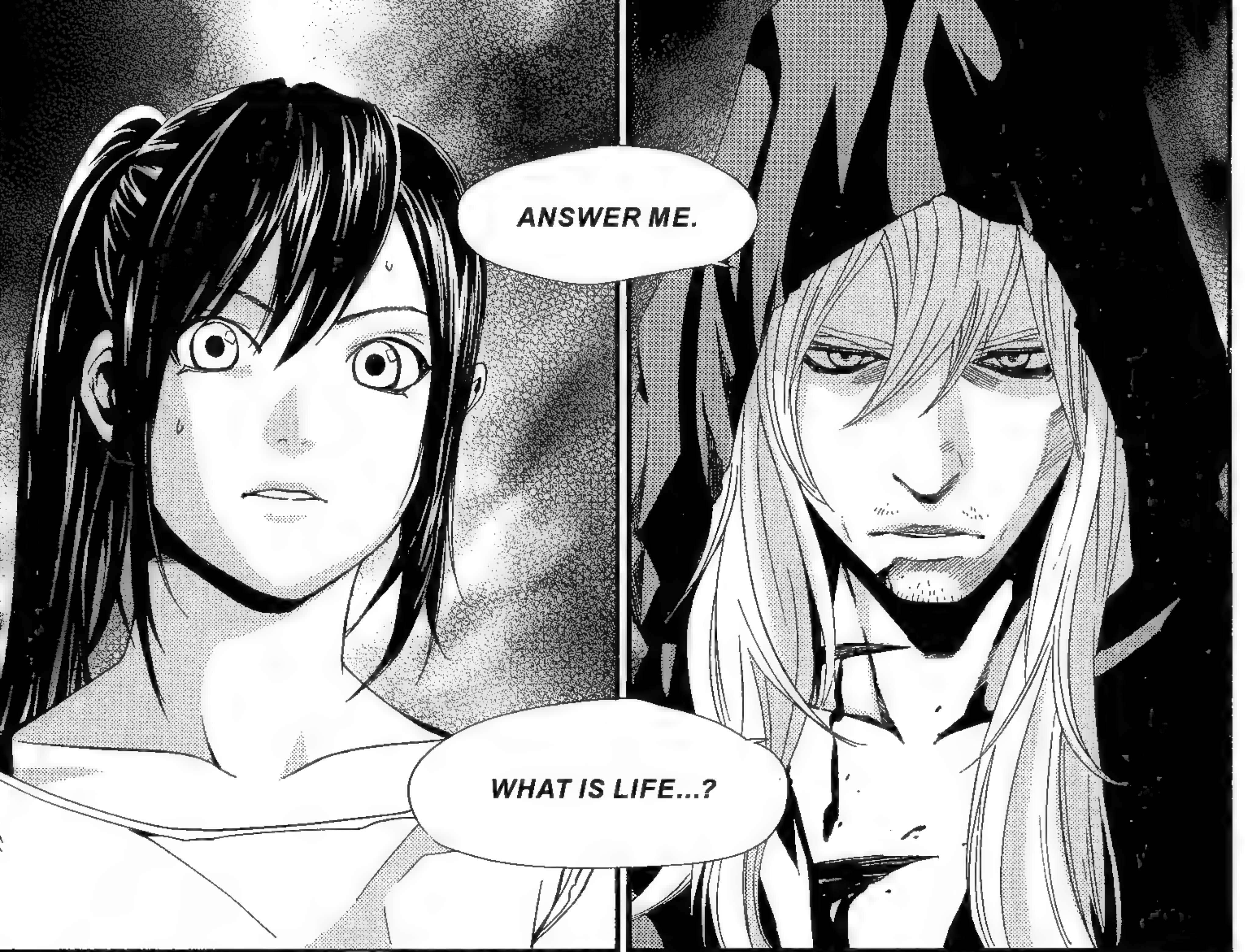
ANSWER
ME...

WHAT IS LIFE
TO YOU?

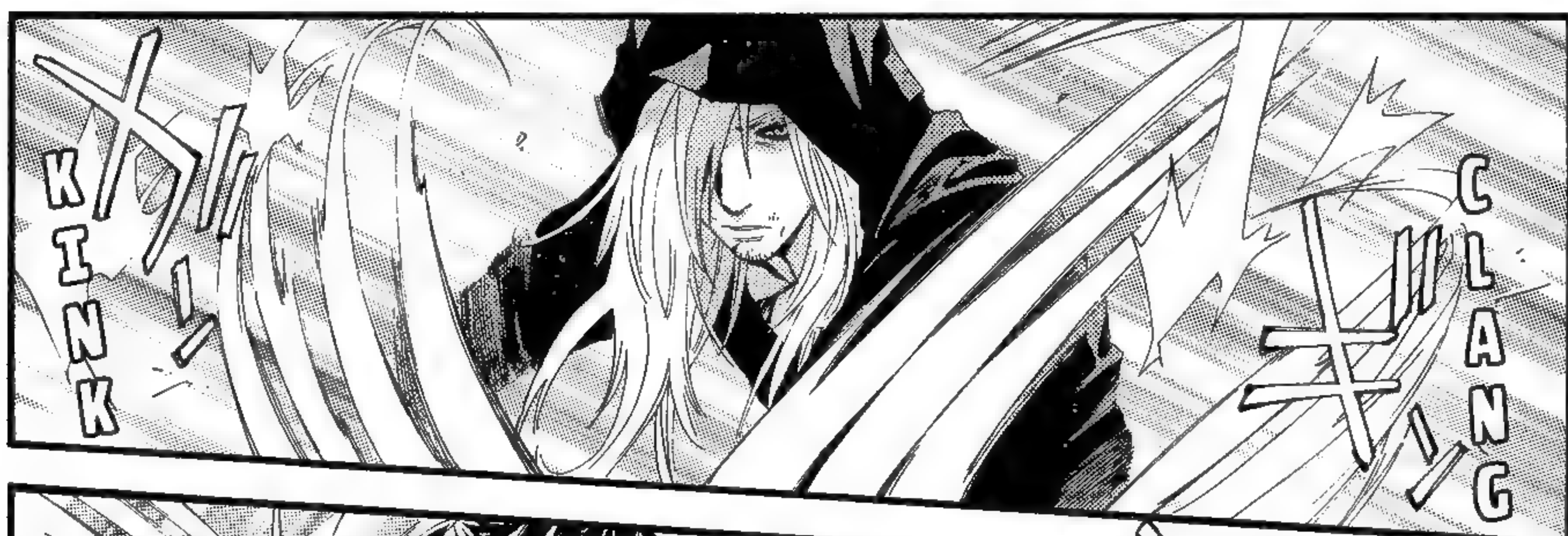


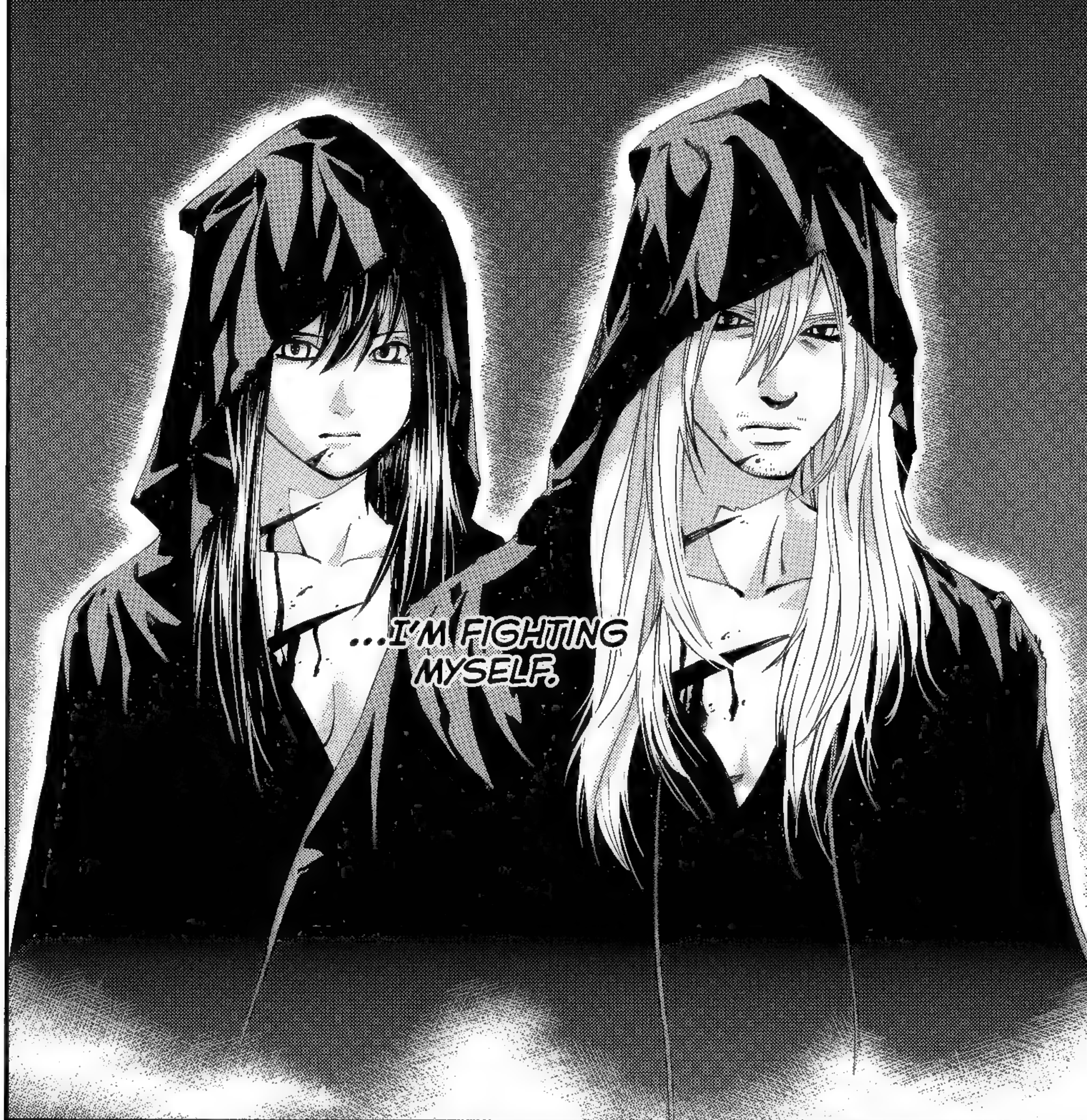












...I'M FIGHTING
MYSELF.



WHY ARE YOU
ALIVE?



DEATH...

SUFFERING...

WHAT HAS IT
TAUGHT YOU?



I HAVE
TO...



I HAVE TO
HURRY AND
DEFEAT HIM!

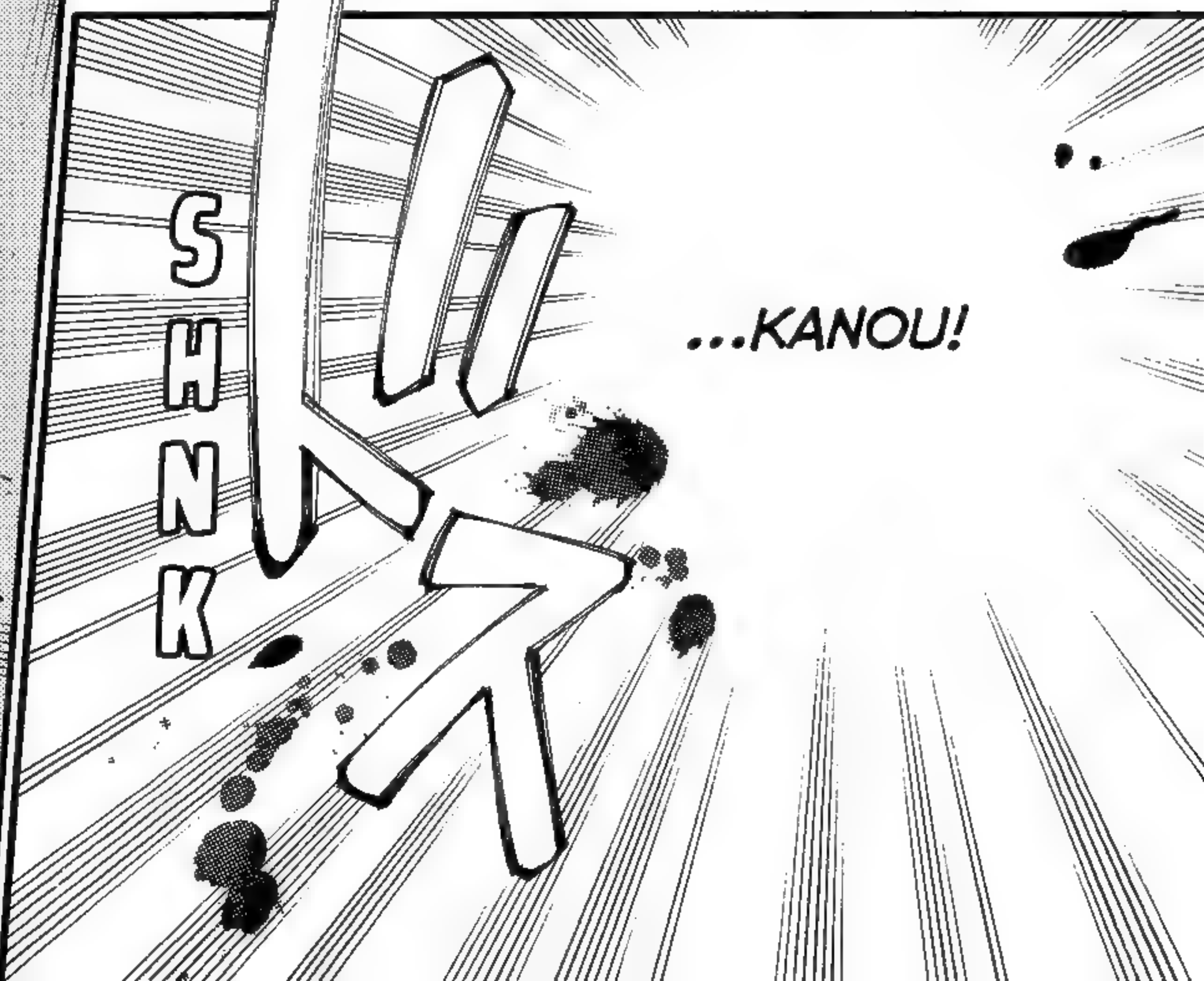


SPLAT

PLIP



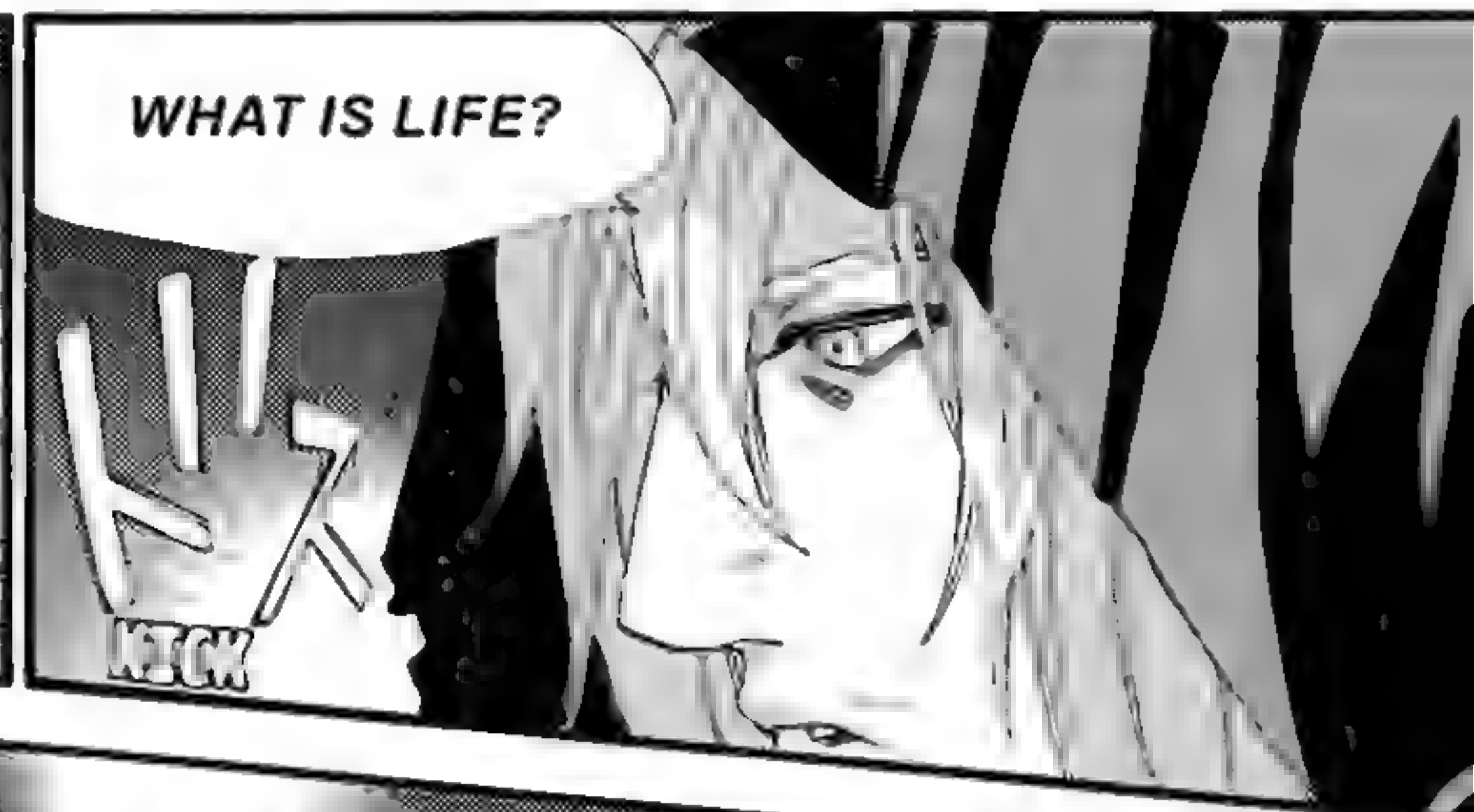
...STOP...

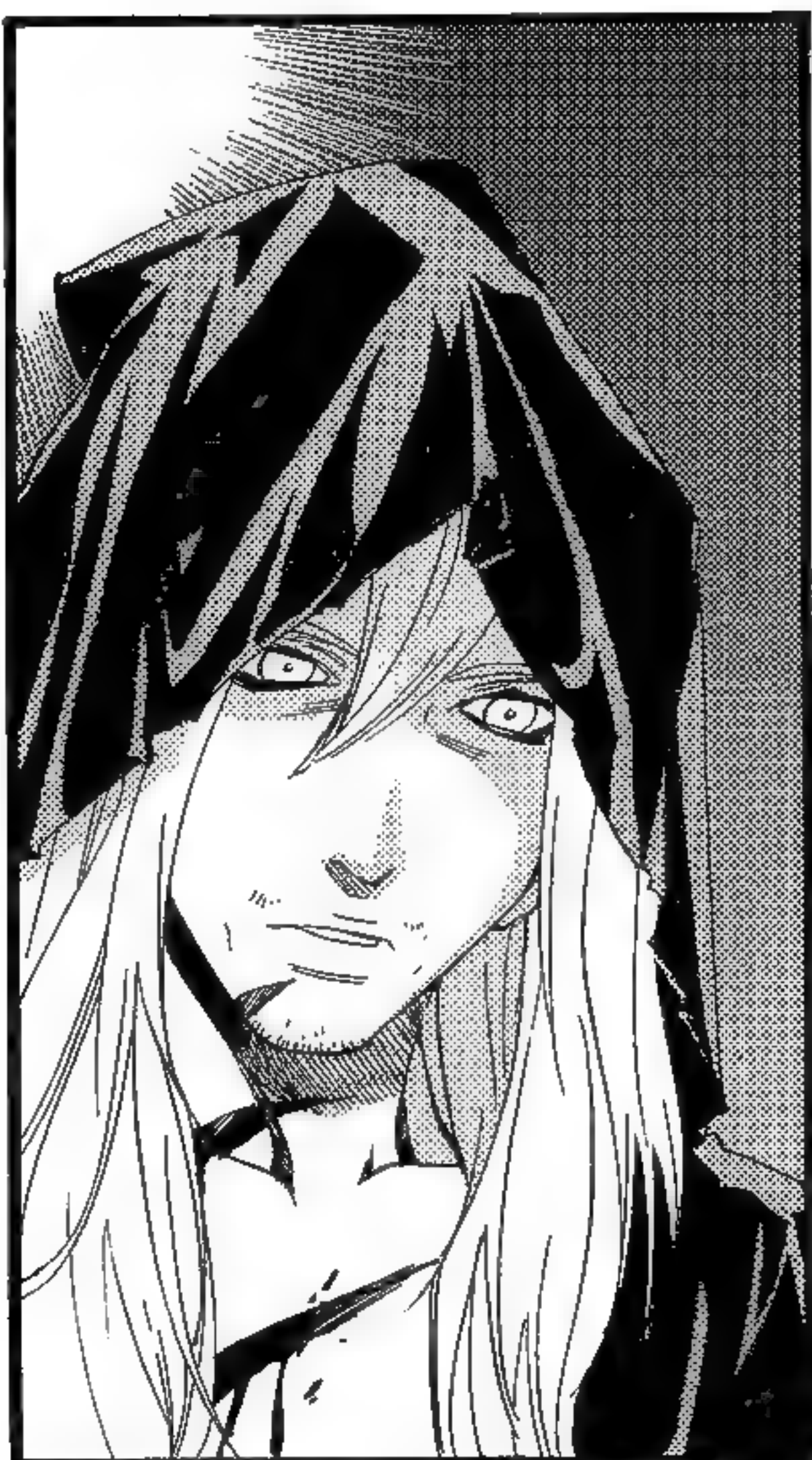


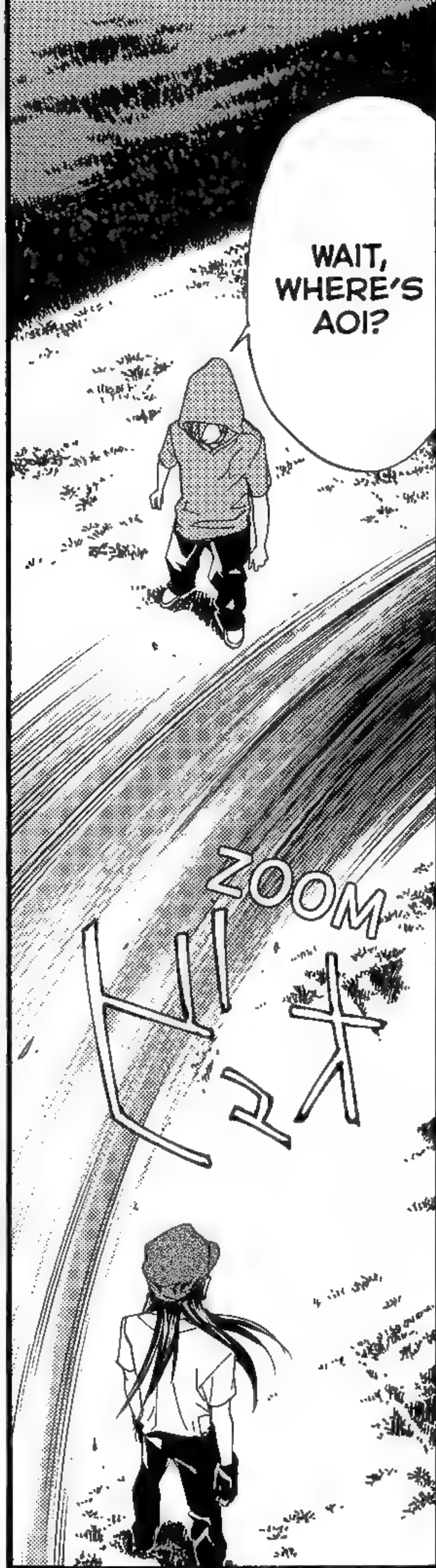
...KANOU!

S
H
N
K





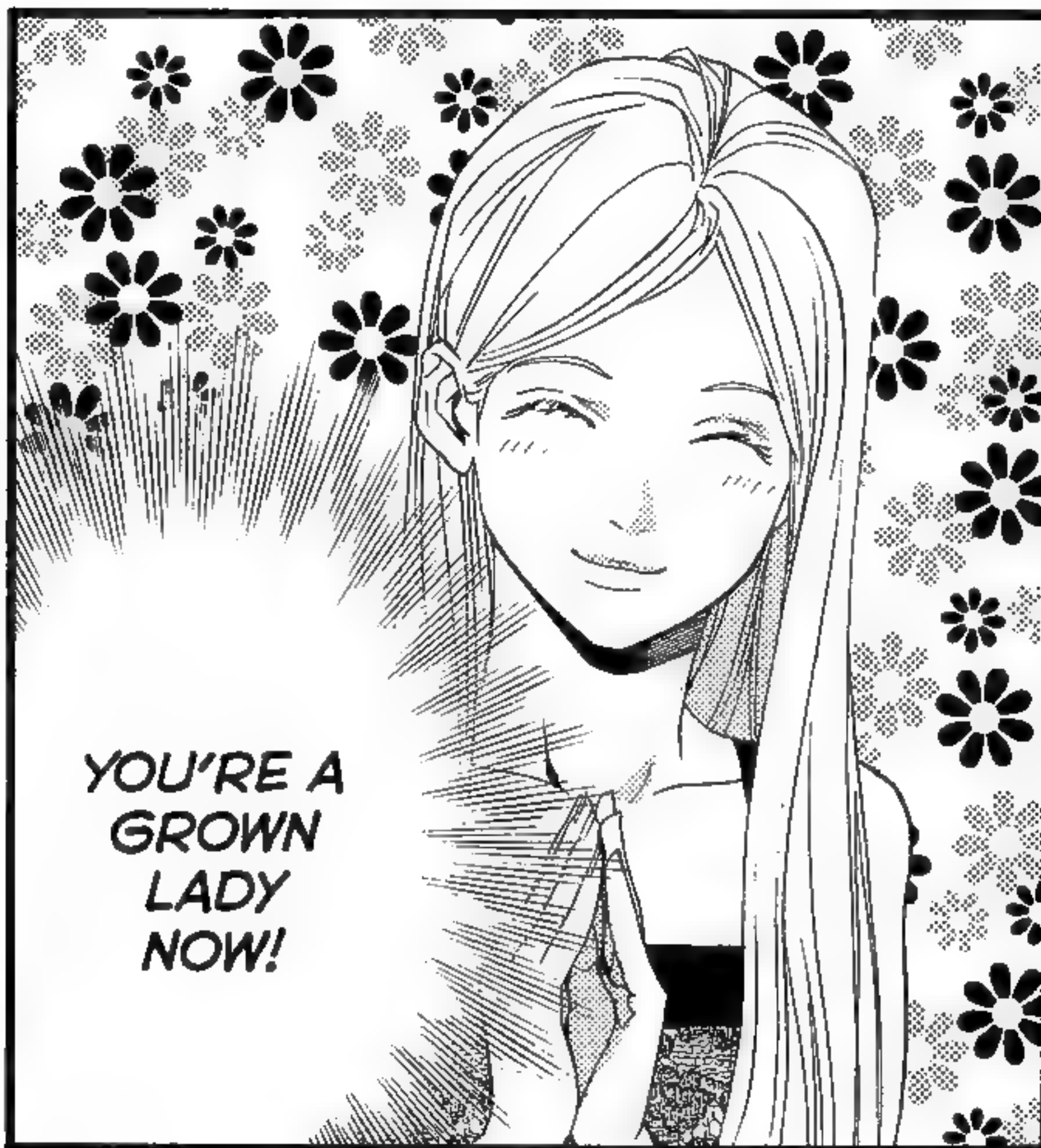






TOO
SLOW!

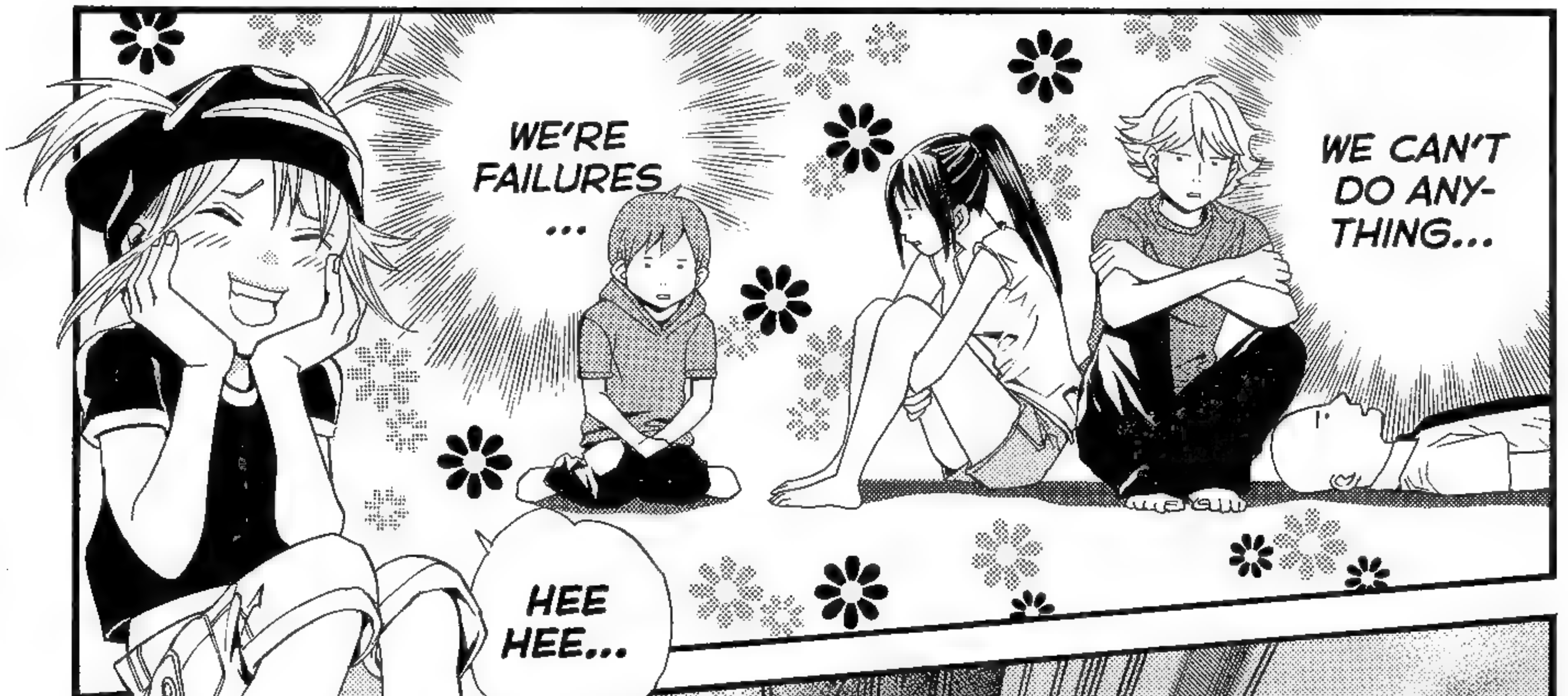
THESE
GUYS ARE
NOTHIN'!



YOU'RE A
GROWN
LADY
NOW!



YOU TOOK
'EM ALL
OUT? THAT'S
AMAZING,
AOI!



WE'RE
FAILURES
...

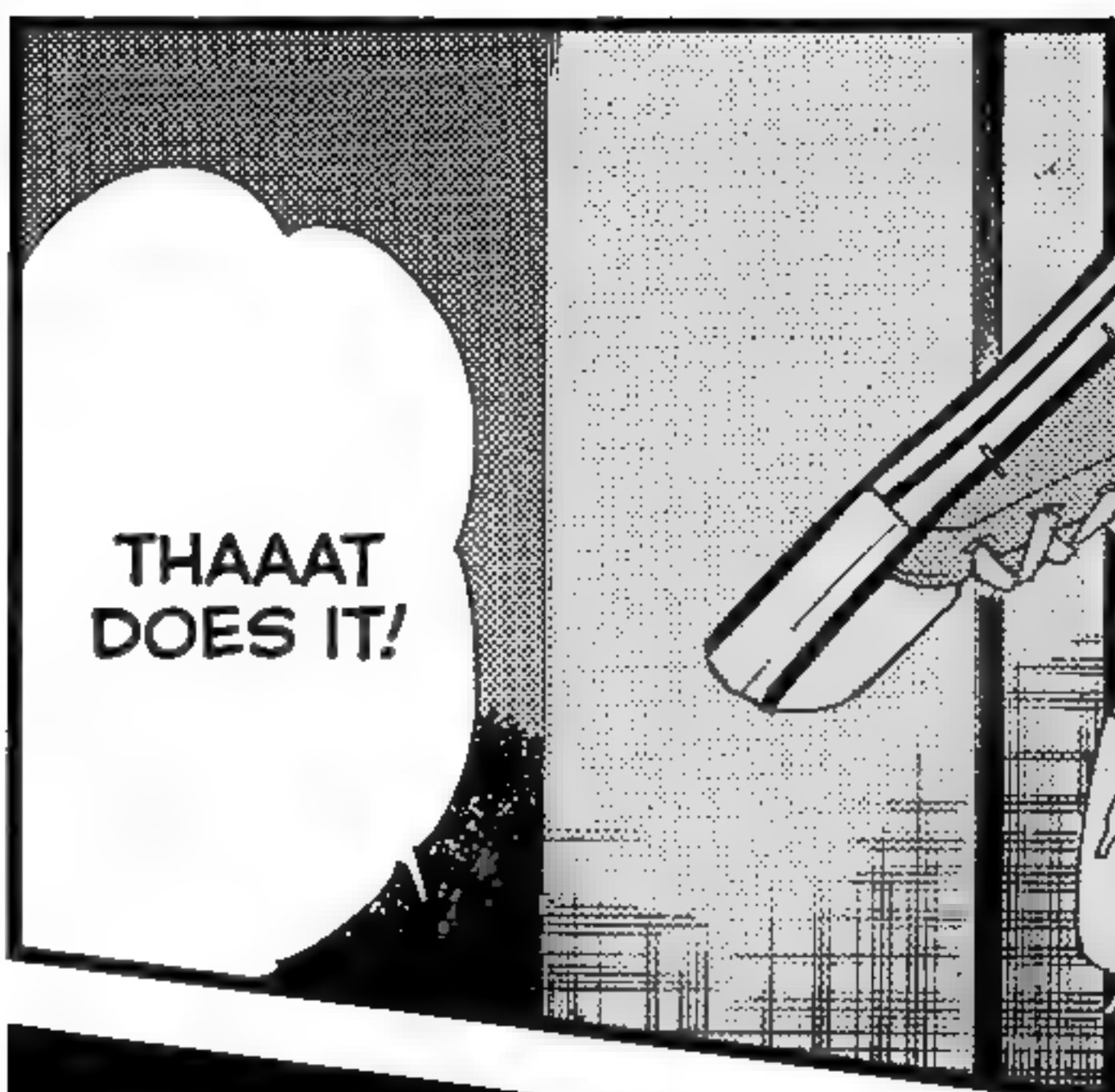
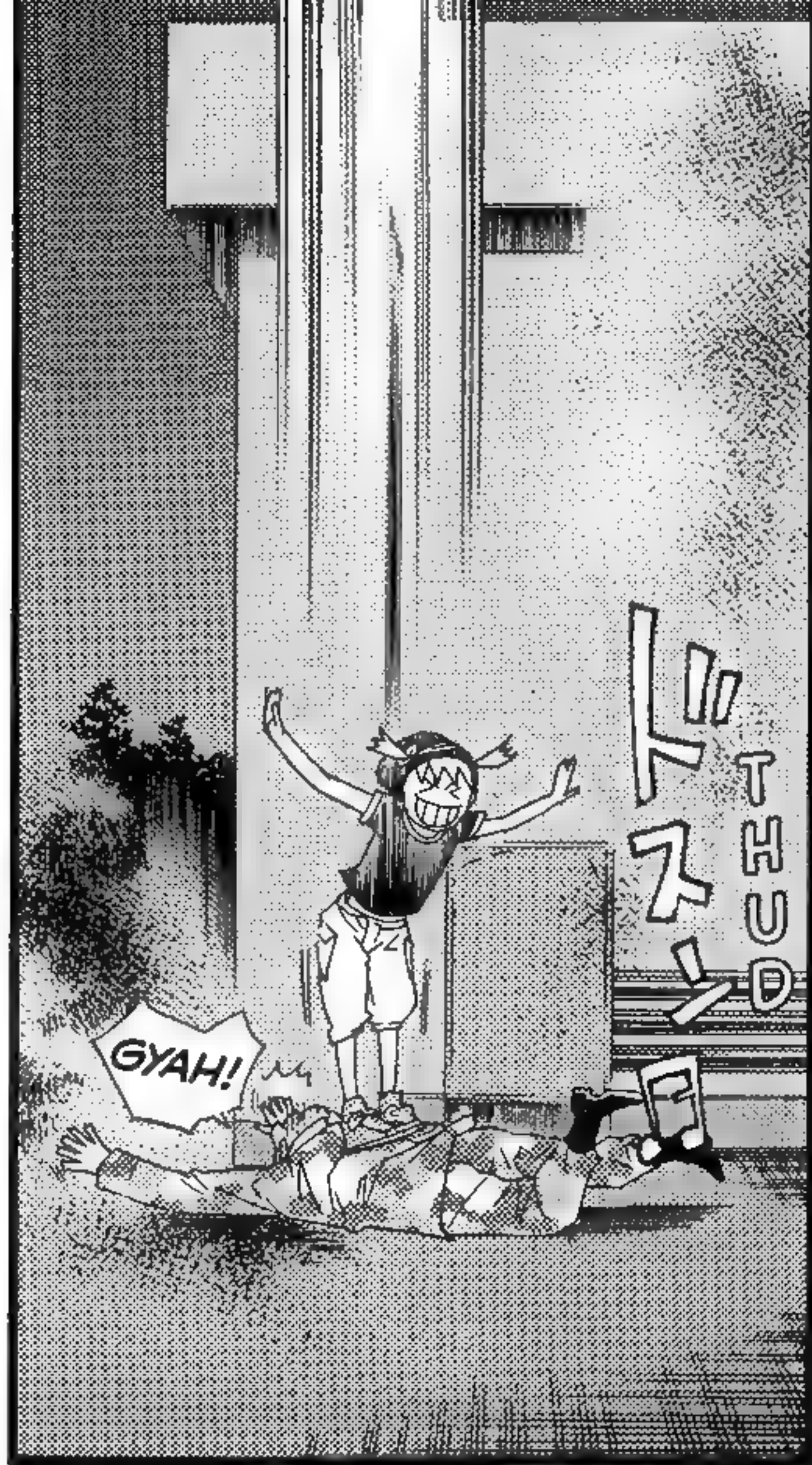
WE CAN'T
DO ANY-
THING...

HEE
HEE...



I HAVE A
POWER,
TOO!

THEY'RE
NOT THE
ONLY
ONES.

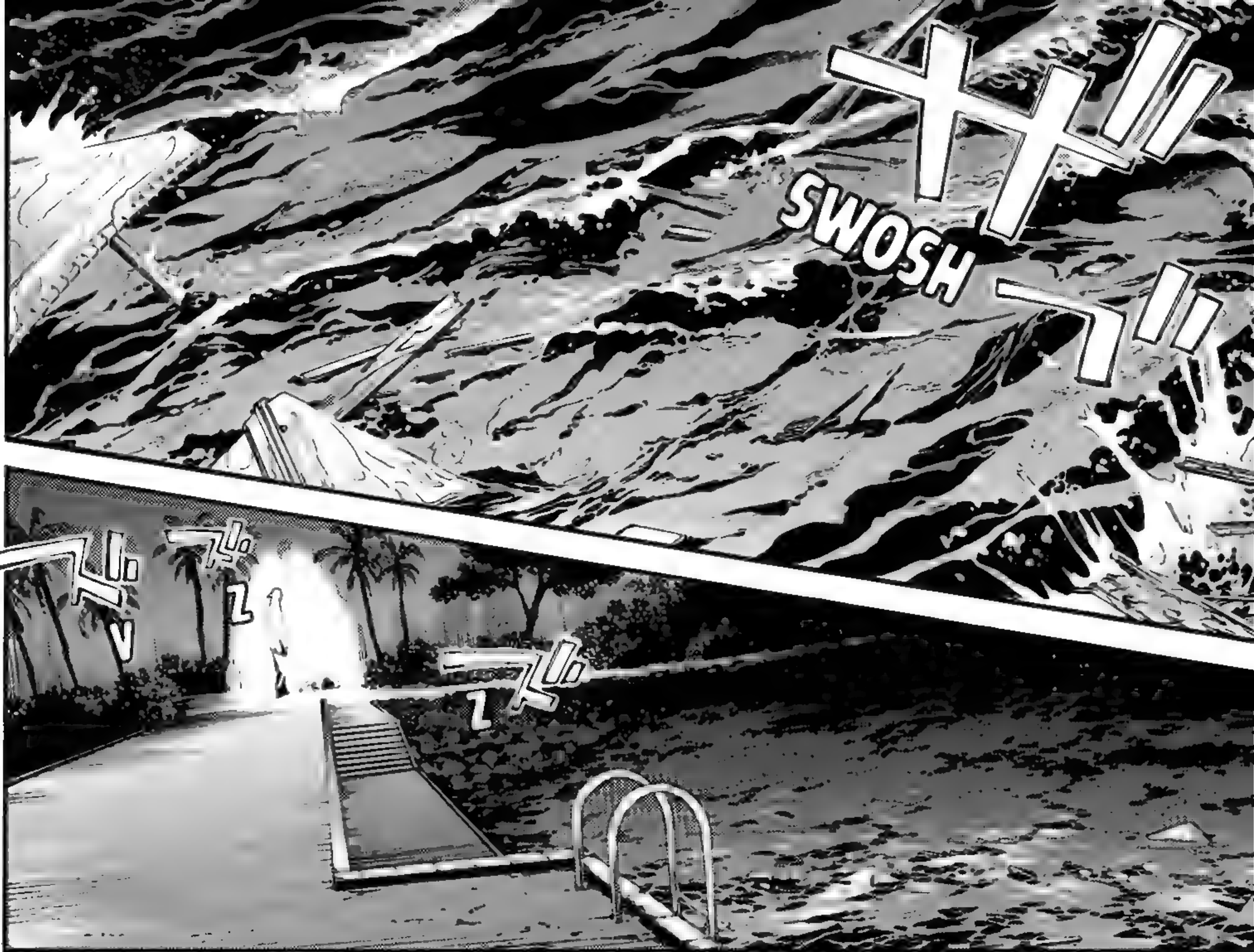


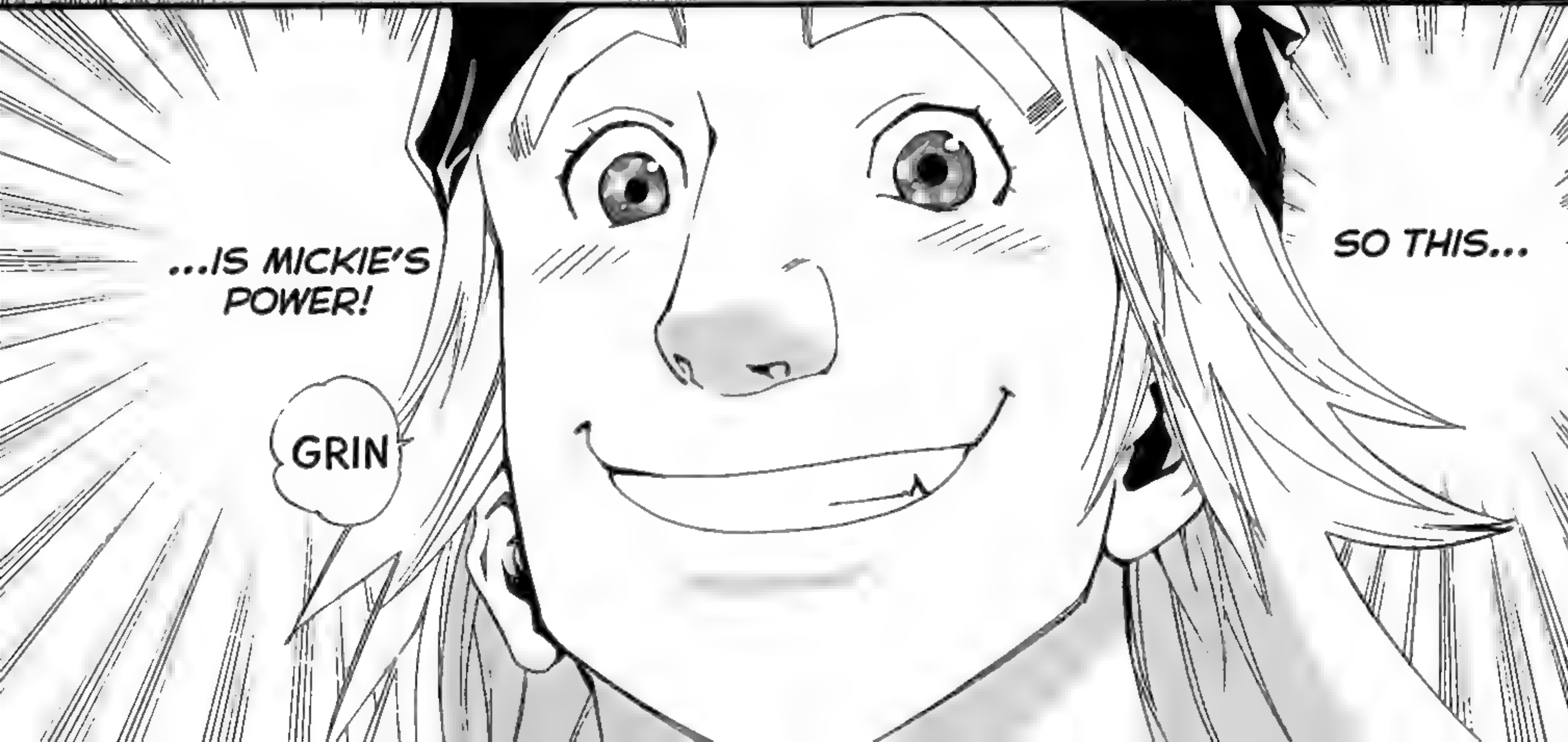
**I WANT
EVERYONE
TO RECOG-
NIZE ME.**



**I'D SAY I
DID A FINE
JOB ALL BY
MYSELF!**

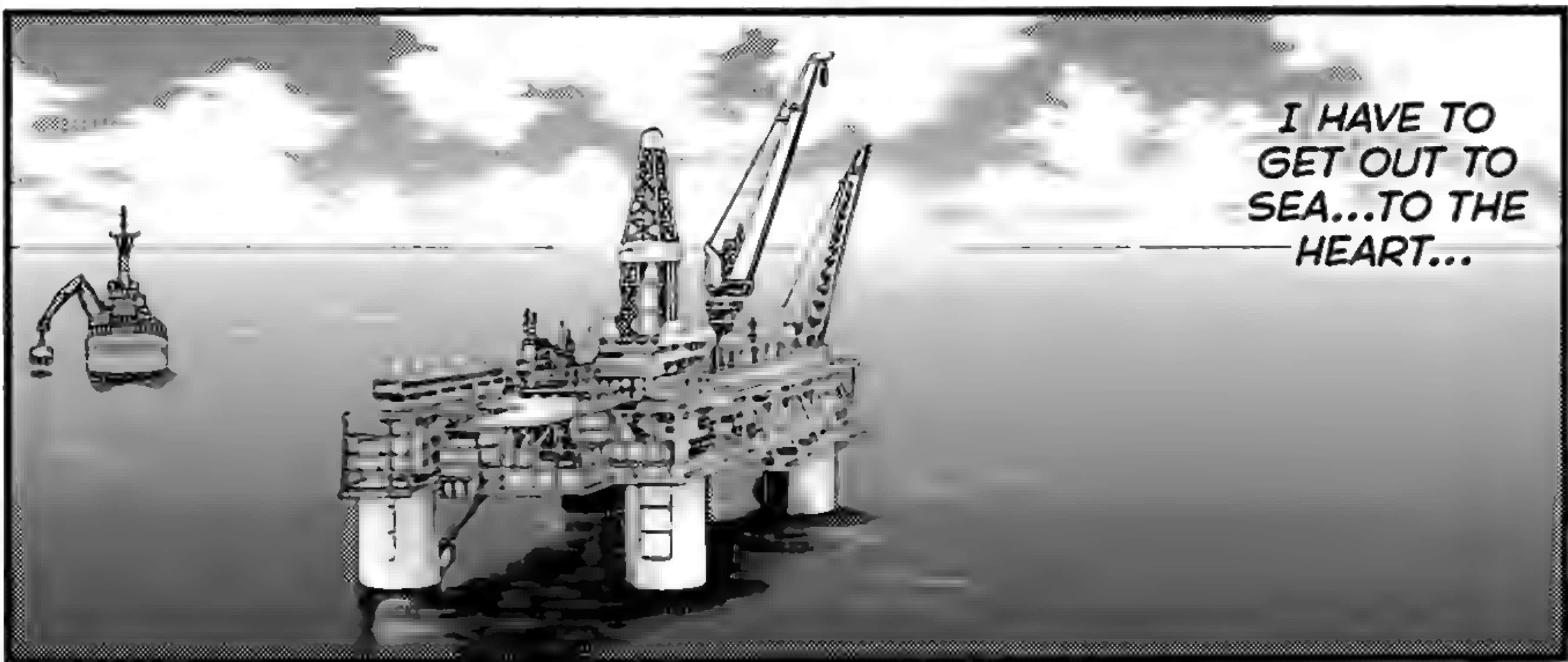




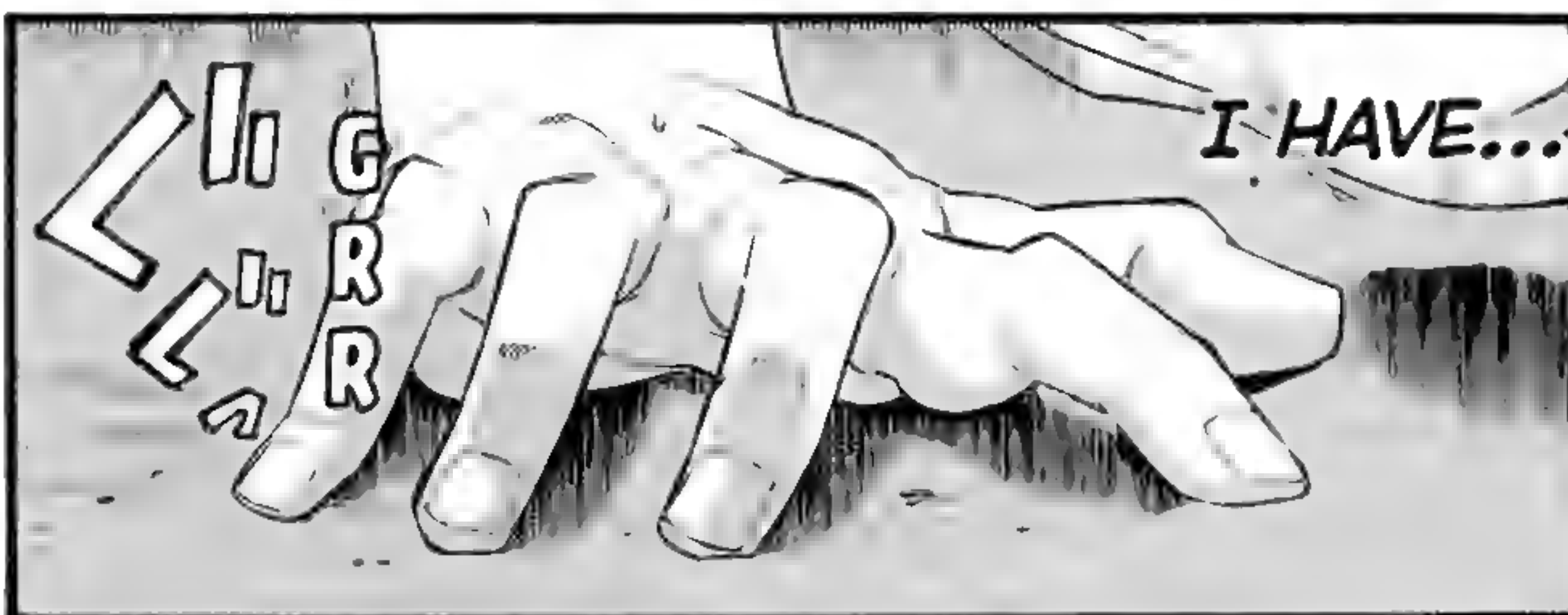




DAMN IT! HE
SUNK OUR
BOAT, TOO!



I HAVE TO
GET OUT TO
SEA...TO THE
HEART...



I HAVE...

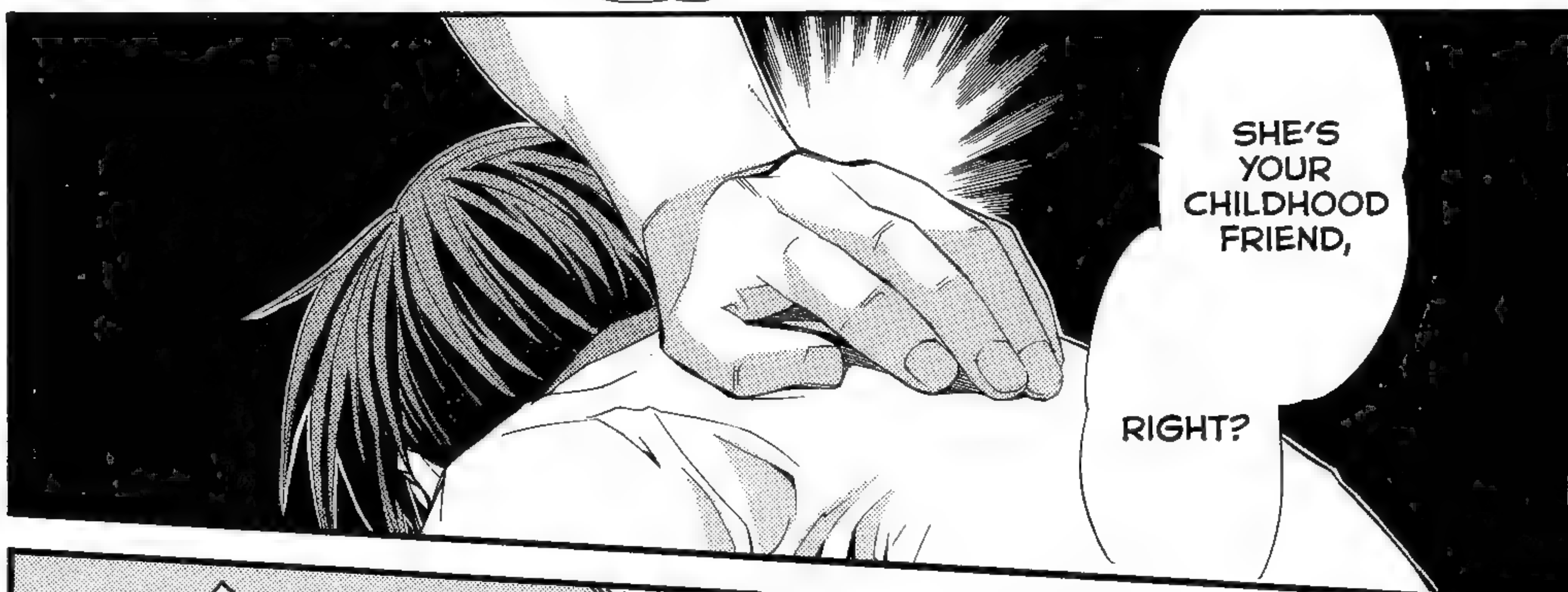


...TO
DEFEAT
HIROSE!





*A character from the anime Heidi, Girl of the Alps





HAH!



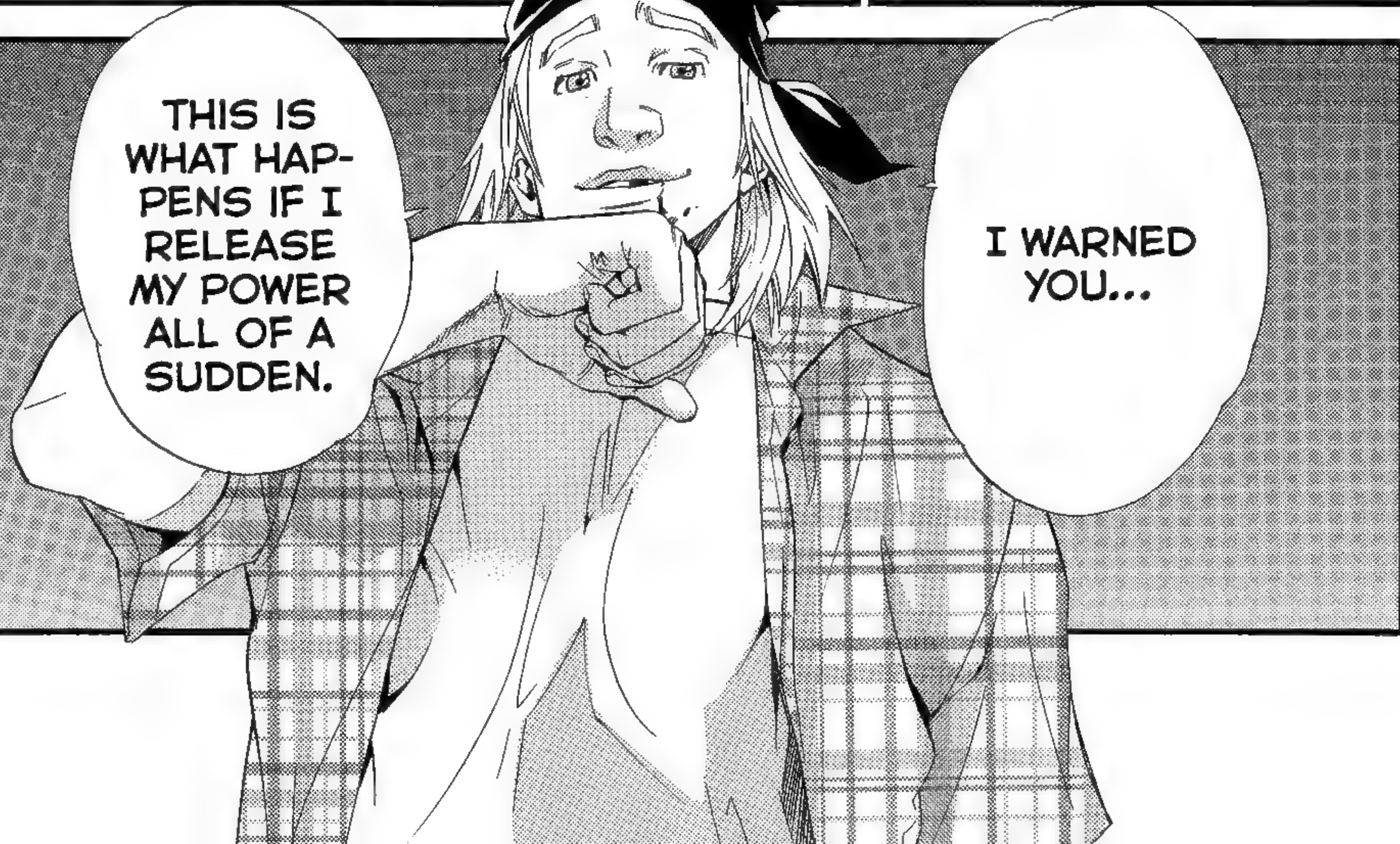
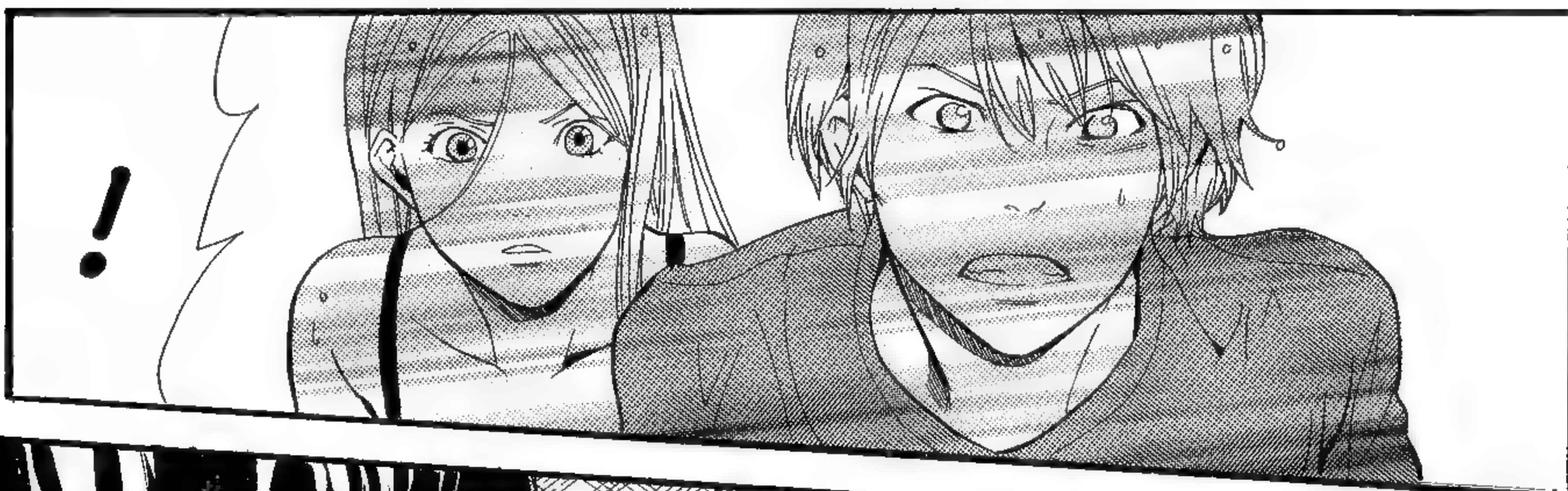




MY POWER!

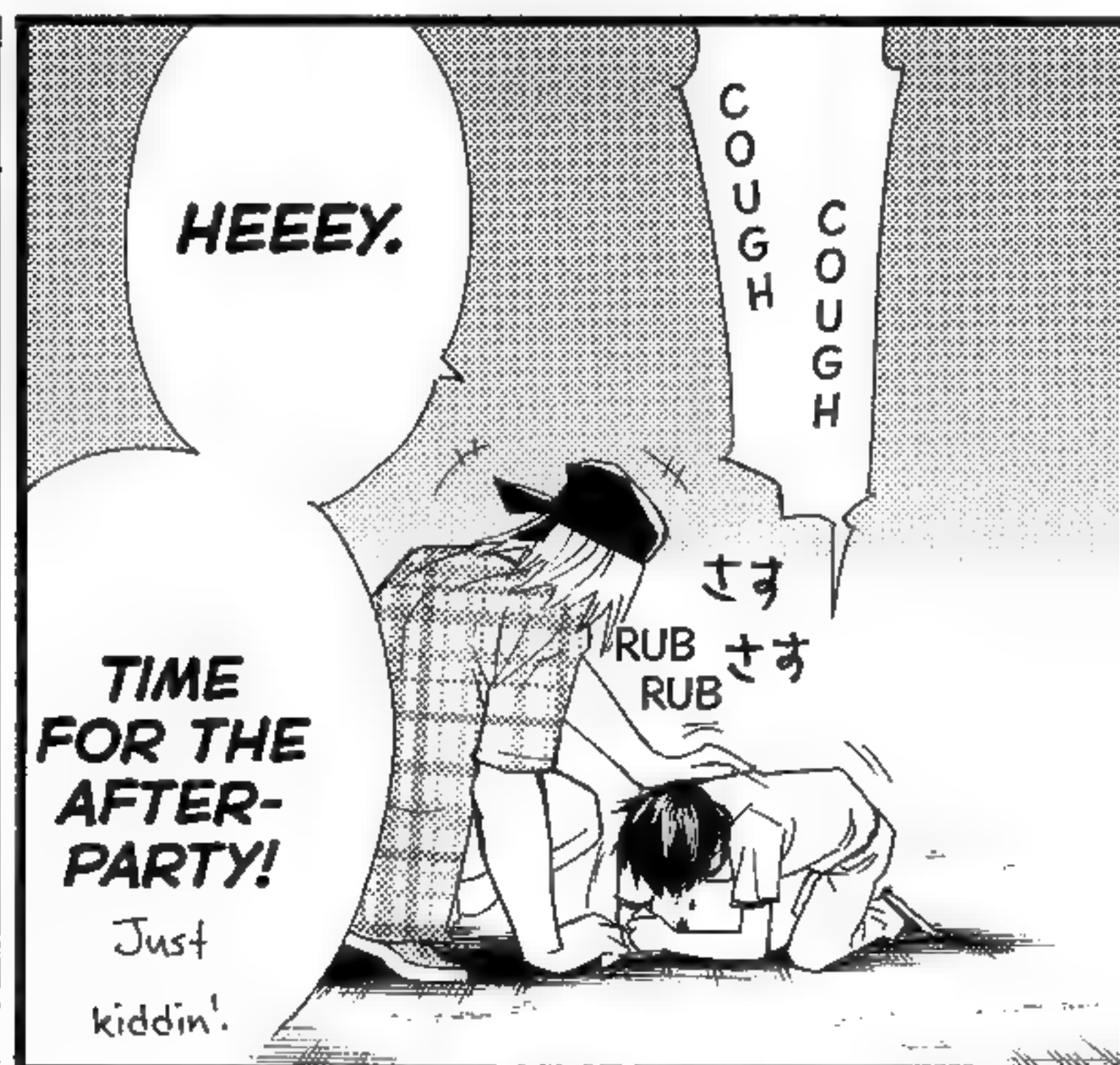






THIS IS
WHAT HAP-
PENS IF I
RELEASE
MY POWER
ALL OF A
SUDDEN.

I WARNED
YOU...



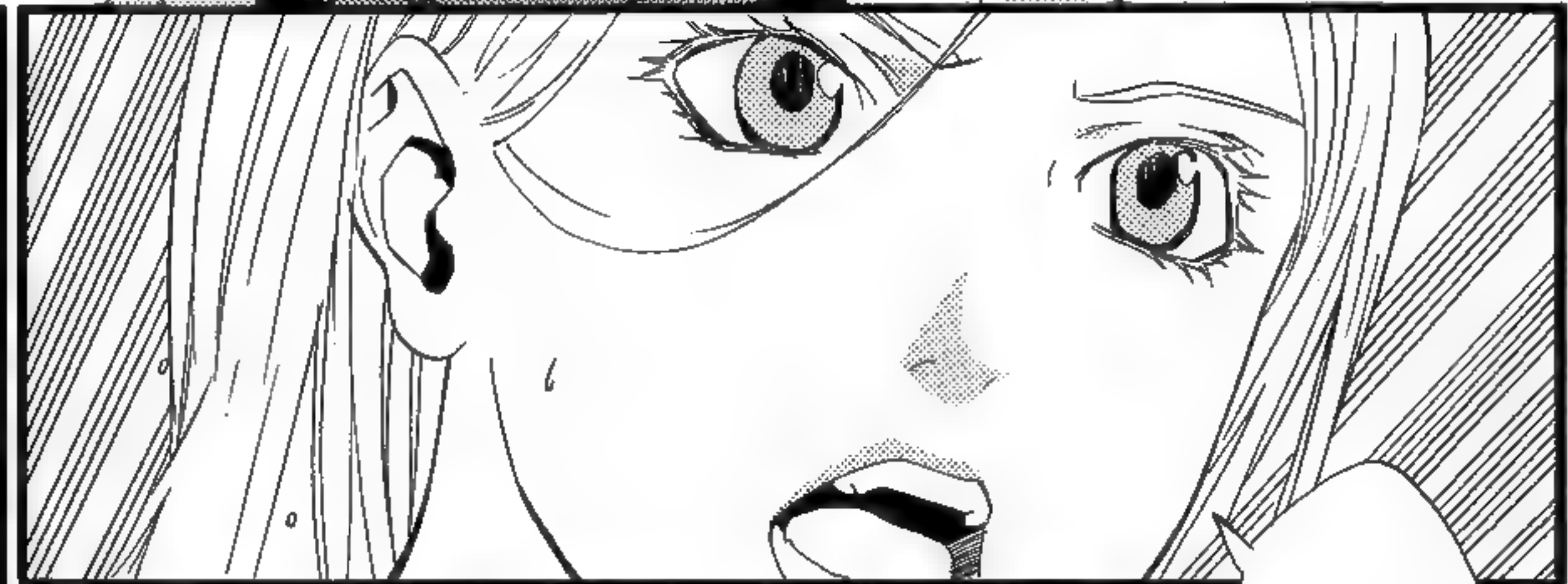


THAT BIG
DUDE IS
NUTS!

W-
A-
I-
T-
S-
U-
P-
P-
E-
R

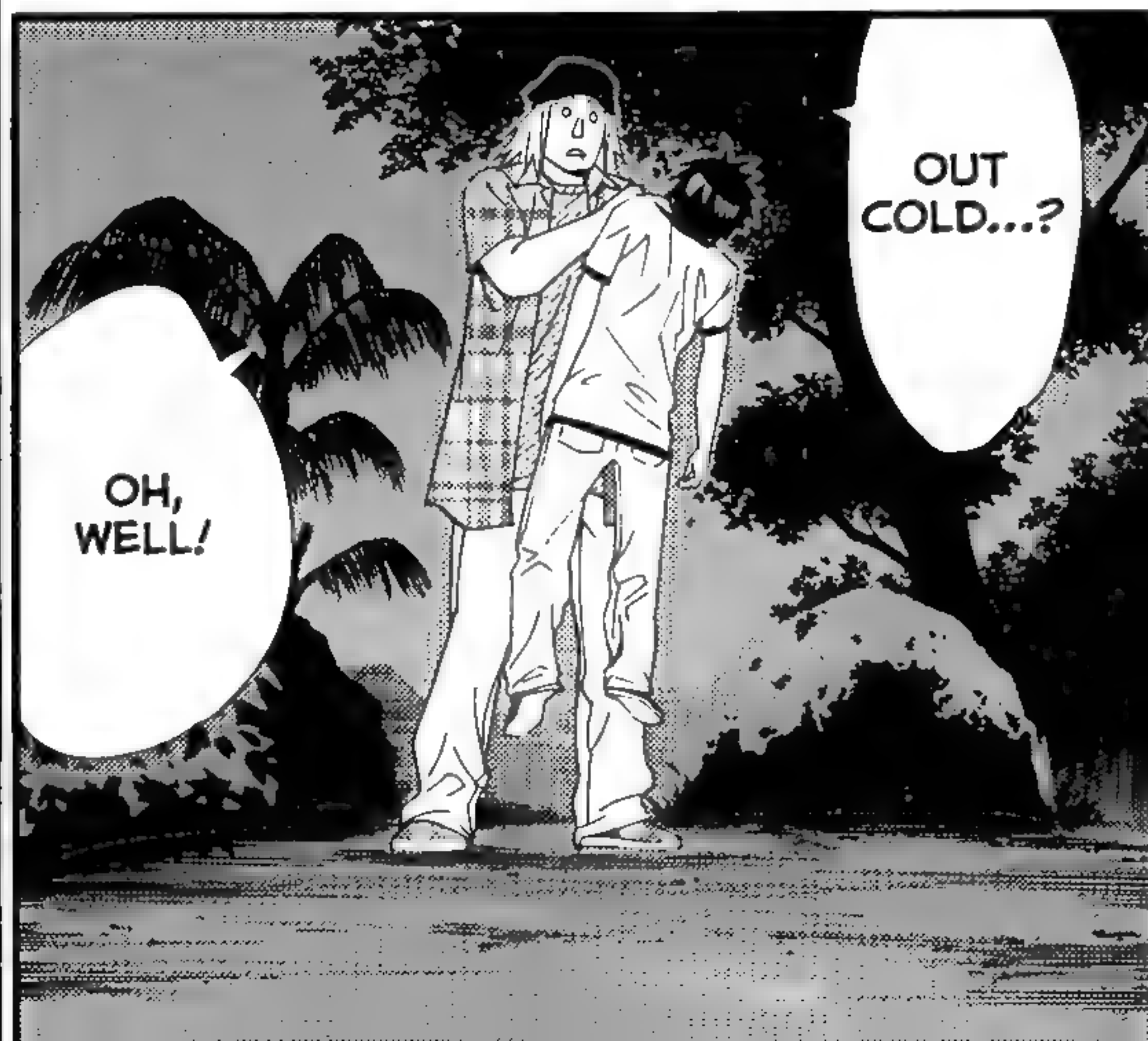
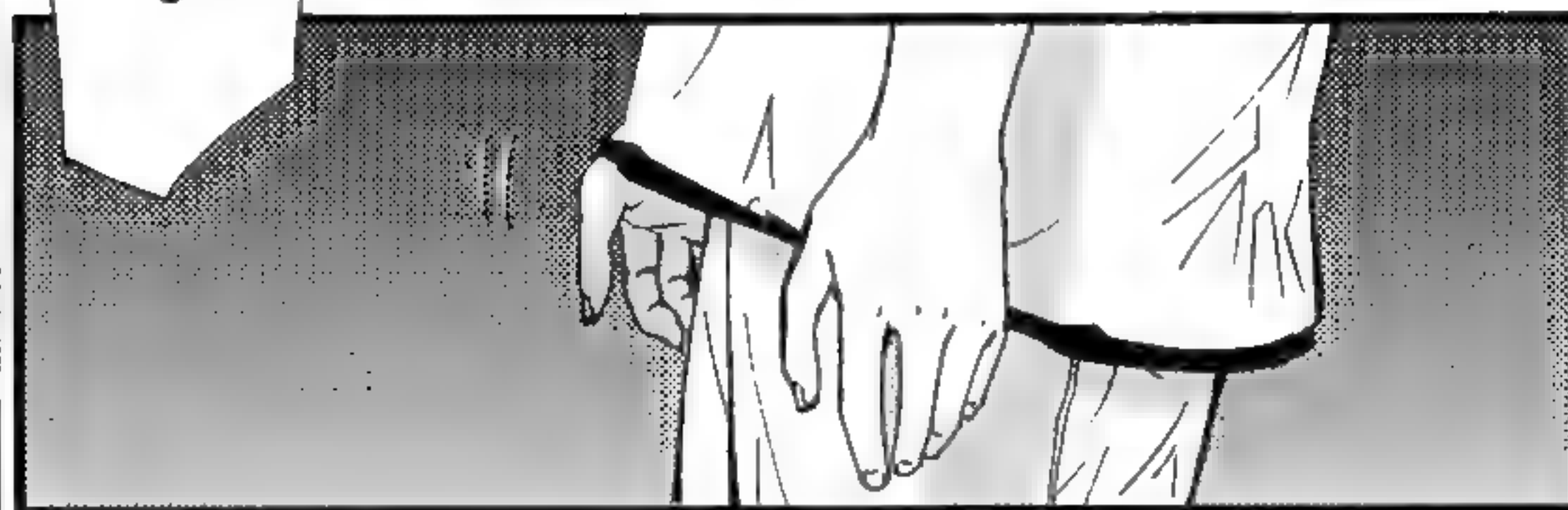
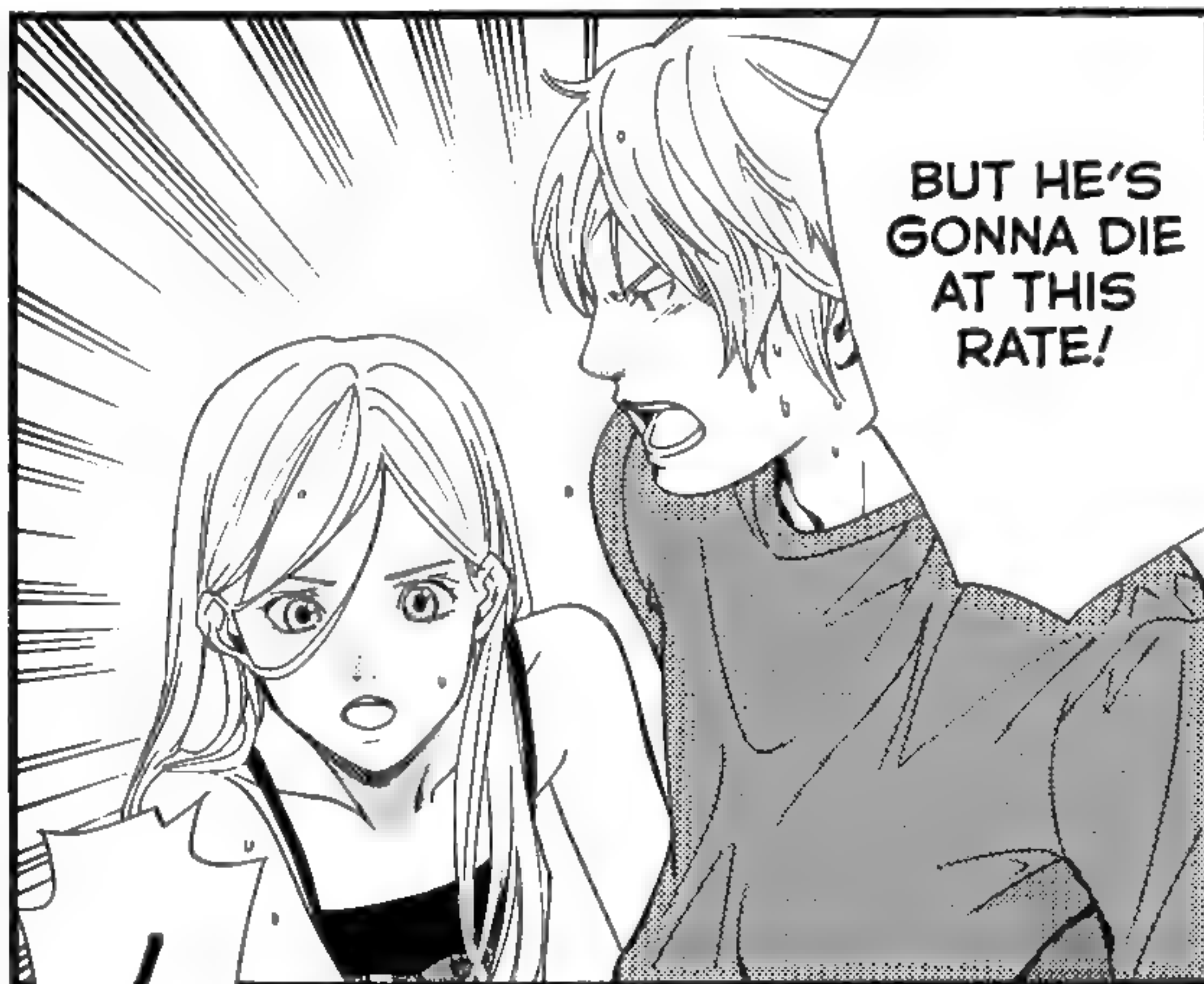


HE'S NOT
ACTING
ACCORDING
TO HIS OWN
WILL!



WAIT,
REI!







BANG





CHIK-CHIK

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We are alive on this planet, and they arrived...

最終進化的少年